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Letters Sent to

Philadelphia and San Francisco Mints

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Bureau
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Treasury Department

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January 2, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Confirming telephone communication of today you are authorized to purchase 25,000 seals from the Porter Safety Seal Company, Chicago, at $7.70 per thousand.

Respectfully,

M McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 3, 1922.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You are authorized to proceed with the coinage of silver dollars, until further directed, on the basis of your estimate of requirements during the remainder of the current fiscal year as per your letter of December 29th.

Respectfully,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

January 3, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Co., amount $3.27, covering transportation charges on 10,000 coin bags from Philadelphia to Washington, October 14, 1922, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

January 5, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of January 4 you are authorized to sell to the Fairbanks Company one set of levers and beam for wagon scale at $7.50, it being understood that this is the higher of two bids received.

Respectfully,

M. McKelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

January 5, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United Metals Selling Company 500,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

January 5, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing letter from the Bureau of Pensions with reference to claim of William Collins for annuity under the act of May 22, 1920 and Executive Order of June 7, 1922. The Secretary's office has requested to be advised whether or not a deposit of 2½ per cent of this employee's pay had been deducted from September 1, 1922 to October 19, 1922, under the provisions of the Executive Order mentioned above. Will you please furnish the Bureau this information with return of the enclosure.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 5, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You are authorized to accept the bid of George F. Ott Company to recover three of the washing machines at your institution with hammered copper at a cost of $135.00, it being understood that this is the lowest of three bids received.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

January 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1923 has been approved in the following sums;

Salaries	$ 5,000.00
Wages of Workmen,	50,000.00
Contingent Expenses	35,000.00
Increase of Compensation	7,000.00
	$97,000.00

Respectfully,

W M O'Reilly

s Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

January 9, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith a small nugget of gold received at this office from Mr. G. W. Wilson, Box 811, Route 2, Garner, Texas. I have today advised Mr. Wilson of forwarding this small deposit to you. Will you please communicate with him directly regarding the same.

Respectfully,

M. W. McCabe

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 10, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of January 9 you are advised that the fund for the unexpended balance in the appropriation for new machinery and appliances, Philadelphia Mint, is available for absolutely necessary machinery and appliances.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

January 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, amount $3.76 covering transportation charges on coin bags from Philadelphia to Washington, October 30th and Nov. 13th, 1922, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M McLeith

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 10, 1925.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your bill against the New York Assay Office, amount $330.75, covering cost of 50 prs. canvas mitts, 300 long aprons, 2200 anode bags, and 175 prs. short sleeves furnished, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, the amount in question to be credited to your 1923 appropriations as follows;

Wages of Workmen	$148.40
Contingent Expenses	182.35
	$330.75

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith find bill of the American Railway Express Company covering transportation charges from Philadelphia to Washington, July 20, 1922, on 1 box, contents not shown. Please indicate on face of Certificate of Shipment accompanying voucher the nature of the contents of box concerned, also please attach correspondence evidencing loss of original Government Bill of Lading as indicated on face of Certificate of Shipment herewith.

Respectfully,

M. McKelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 12, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

With reference to the matter of shipments by express it is requested that in future whenever it is known that the transportation charges on such shipments are to be paid by the Government, Government bill of lading be used; and that when it is uncertain as to whether the Government will pay the transportation charges Government bill of lading be not used, but that sufficient information be included on the express company's record to provide the consignee with information as to the contents of the package being delivered. The words "one box" or "one package" do not provide sufficient information nor permit identification of a receipt given for same when the receipt is presented at a later date. A short general designation of the contents of the package should be given, similar to "plaster cast of Baker medal", "medals ordered for Secretary Glass", etc.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 11, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Boise, Idaho.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, Carson City, Nevada.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Deadwood. S. Dak.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Helena, Mont.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Sir:

As you have heretofore been advised the appropriation for "Increased Compensation, Treasury Department" for the current fiscal year is specific in amount instead of indefinite as heretofore. The amount appropriated is available for the Department as a whole, and it now appears that there is possibility of a deficit due to increases in force in some of the Bureaus. The Mint Bureau anticipates that its instructions heretofore issued will avoid possibility of any deficit in the amount estimated for use of the Mint Service, but in view of the conditions in other Bureaus any possible savings the Mint Service may effect in this appropriation could be used elsewhere.

The Secretary's office states that in order to avoid a deficit it may be necessary to withhold increased compensation from all new employees appointed after January 1, 1923, and in view of this no recommendations, pending the ascertainment of the obligations against the appropriation, will be made by the Bureau for increased compensation to new employees appointed after December 31, 1922. If you have occasion to make such recommendations they will be received by the Bureau, but no payments of increased compensation may be made to such new employees unless and until specific authorization therefor has been given.

The Secretary's office has prepared a plan for obtaining an effective control of expenditures on account of the increased compensation appropriation, with a view to averting the indicated deficit, and this plan involves complete monthly accounting for cash, by <u>all</u> Bureaus, as follows:

Any unobligated balance of this appropriation remaining within your control (in cash or subject to your check), after payment of pay-rolls for the last half of December, is at once to be repaid into the Treasury in the usual manner (by procuring a certificate of deposit); provided, however,

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that if the amount advanced to you on requisition for meeting your January liabilities under this appropriation is insufficient to cover the January liabilities an amount sufficient to make up the difference may be retained when deposit is made of the December balance.

The balance remaining on hand after payment of the January pay-rolls should be repaid into the Treasury in like manner as above.

Requisitions for advance to you of funds under this appropriation shall be made strictly on a monthly basis, the amount to cover the exact requirements, if known, otherwise the most accurate estimate practicable.

In all cases, and at the earliest practicable date, the amount remaining on hand after payment of the pay-rolls for the month covered by the advance shall be repaid into the Treasury by certificate of deposit, regardless of the amount, large or small, remaining unobligated.

You are aware that this Bureau is required to report promptly to the Budget Bureau the amounts (other than for bullion) actually expended each month. Special reports have been necessary from some of our institutions in order that this information may be available in time to avoid delinquency by the Bureau. These special reports could be avoided if your business were so conducted that you could prepare and forward to the Bureau within five days after the close of each month your schedules of pay-rolls and vouchers paid.

As a part of the Government economy program the Treasury Department is endeavoring to keep the amount of inactive advances to disbursing officers as low as possible. If each of the large number of disbursing officers has to his credit a few hundred or a few thousand dollars more than is needed for his current transactions the total would make a considerable amount for the Treasury to keep on hand, and under present conditions this involves constant borrowing and payment of interest on amounts borrowed. It is therefore requested that in making requisitions for appropriation advances they be kept at the minimum needed for current business and that they be not made to cover 2 or 3 months advance requirements as sometimes has happened. Requisitions for each months estimated needs should be prepared and forwarded so as to reach the Bureau by the first of each month. They will then be acted upon by the Bureau promptly and every effort will be made to insure that notices, stating that the credits have been established, reach you by the time the funds are needed for the mid-month pay-roll. If unanticipated amounts are required before the next regular requisition would provide them, special requisition may be submitted with explanation of the need for same.

Respectfully,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
January 12, 1922.

Superintendent Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Authorized to accept bid United Metals Selling to furnish one hundred thousand ounces copper at fifteen cents this being lowest bid.

O'Reilly
Acting Director.

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR .....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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January 13, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, amount 80¢, covering transportation charges on 1 coil lead pipe from Baltimore May 8, 1922, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1922 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

D. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 13, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of January 12, you are authorized to purchase from Rand, McNally and Company one copy of their Bankers Directory, January, 1923, edition, at the publisher's price of $15.00, for use at your institution.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 15, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing two photographs of the Director for which plaster casts were made for his medal. Before leaving for the West the Director expressed his preference for the plaster cast from photograph marked No. 1 on the back. He, however, hoped that some improvement could be made by changing the expression about the mouth and nose. Will you please ask Mr. Morgan if he will be kind enough to undertake a new model for the Director's medal, making such alterations as he sees possible in the model copied from the photograph No. 1. If you will have a plaster cast of this altered model sent to the Bureau at your convenience it will be sent to the Director in the West for his criticism.

Respectfully,

W M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your two letters of January 12 requesting that thirty days sick leave be granted to Anne Randall and Michael C. Kenney from January 1, 1923, you are advised that the Department does not grant sick leave in advance. When these employees return to their duties the regular sick leave form should be executed.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 17, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of January 16 you are authorized to accept the bid of the Atlas Electric Company to rewind a 10-H.P. Armature for Browning motor, it being understood that this is the lowest of three bids received.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 17, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the Nichols Copper Company 50,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your mint.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 19, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your bill against the San Francisco Mint, amount $525.00, covering cost of 5000 $1 coin bags furnished, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, the amount in question to be credited to your 1923 appropriations as follows:

Wages of Workmen	$105.00
Contingent Expenses	420.00
	$525.00

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 16, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir;

Bill of the American Railway Express Co., amount 55¢, covering transportation charges on locks from Philadelphia to Washington, January 8, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Dr. M. Offutt

Acting Director of the Mint.

P. S. These locks should have been sent by parcel post, under penalty stamp, without cost.

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January 20, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You are hereby authorized to make settlement with Phillips & Jacobs, for sweeps recently worked by them, on the basis of returns per your letter of the 16th instant. The collection should be supported in your accounts by sub-voucher, as usual.

It is not understood from your letter that Phillips & Jacobs claim reimbursement for their expenses of $285.75.

Comparing the net return of 72-% of full value, when the $285.75 expense of Phillips & Jacobs is deducted, on this lot of sweeps, with the net return of 68+% on lot mentioned in your letter of September 8, 1922, leaves a margin of only 4% between the two methods of handling, a difference which is practically negligible when consideration is given the considerable assay differences stated in your communications.

The proposal of Phillips & Jacobs to handle the sweeps for a 5% refining charge while returning full value of gold and silver content, in view of their expenses on this lot of practically 25% and in connection with their 5% deduction on silver and 7 ¢ deduction on gold, also appears to need further consideration.

In connection with your consideration of crushing machinery and report thereon, further report is requested on the above mentioned features, including information as to whether new crushing machinery is essential if you continue to work your own sweeps.

Respectfully,

W. M. Gilly

F.

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 20, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In December this office sent to the General Accounting Office miners' affidavits furnished by the United Metals Selling Company covering a total of 2,002,191 ounces silver delivered to you under the terms of the Pittman Act. In your next reports to this office please include this item.

Respectfully,

M. W. O'Reilly

F.

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 20, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing, merely for your information, a letter received today from the State Department relative to the order for gold medals. You will note from this letter that we have promised to give the order from the State Department precedence. Will you please bear us out on this and get the order through as quickly as you can.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 20, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Interdepartmental Board of Patents has asked this Bureau to advise them upon what terms we secured the Wohlwill patent. I am enclosing copies of letters found in the Bureau, in Dr. Dewey's files which may assist you in tracing the matter. If you have a record of the terms upon which you were authorized to use this patent will you please forward copies to the Bureau upon receipt of this letter.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 22, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Southern Pacific Company, amount $48.46, covering transportation charges on 5,000 #1 coin bags to San Francisco, November 6, 1922, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United Metals Selling Company 200,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 23, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In October, 1922, blank form of bond was forwarded for execution by Fred V. Medelt, and the Secretary's office reports that there is no record of the bond being executed. Will you please advise the Bureau in regard to this.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company 1,500,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 25, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Annual Assay Commission which will meet at your Mint at eleven o'clock Wednesday morning, February 14, 1923, is composed of the following members:

Hon. Robert Armstrong, Washington, D.C.
Mrs. G. L. Austill, Indianapolis, Ind.
Hon. Charles O. Bailey, Boston, Mass.
Mrs. J. G. Battelle, Columbus, Ohio.
Dr. Charles S. Curtis, Kansas City, Mo.
Mrs. Fletcher Dobyns, Chicago, Illinois.
Hon. Winfield T. Durbin, Anderson, Ind.
Mr. J. U. Eldredge, Ogden, Utah.
Mr. A. S. Huff, Jacksonville, Fla.
Mr. Irwin Kirkwood, Kansas City, Mo.
Dr. G. P. Merrill, Washington, D.C.
Dr. William Gerry Morgan, Washington, D.C.
Mr. Chester A. McLain, Cambridge, Mass.
Mr. H. C. Ogden, Wheeling, West Virginia.
Mr. Frank Russell, Louisville, Kentucky.
Dr. S. W. Stratton, Cambridge, Mass.
Dr. P. L. Thomson, San Antonio, Texas.
Hon. Albert H. Vestal, Washington, D.C.
Mr. Farran Zerbe, Tyrone, Pa.

The Comptroller of the Currency.)
The Judge of the District Court of)Ex-officio
the Eastern District of Pennsylvania) Members.
The Assayer, U.S. Assay Office, N.Y.)

The Bureau believes that full membership of the Commission will be in attendance at the sessions as appointments were for the most part sought after.

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I am enclosing a list of the coins reserved for the Commission, and also a table showing gold and silver coins executed by the three Mints during the calendar year 1922.

Under separate cover I am forwarding 25 copies of the "Proceedings of the Assay Commission, 1922."

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

2 encs. Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 27, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your request of January 26 you are authorized to purchase from the East End Waste Company, 2,000 pounds of white rags at 1.1 cents per pound, it being understood that this is equal to one other bid and lower than a third, and that lots previously purchased from this firm have proved to be satisfactory.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 27, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am forwarding herewith a letter received today from the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco asking for a bronze medal of President Harding to complete the set lent to him some time ago. Will you please lend one of these medals to the Superintendent.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 27, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am returning herewith the proposed design for the Assay Commission medal. The Bureau believes that the design submitted will make a very beautiful medal, and appreciates your courtesy in submitting the same for our inspection.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 29, 1925.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United Metals Selling Company 300,000 ounces of silver, purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 30, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of January 29 asking if you could have transferred from the New York Assay Office ten melts of gold, 999 or better to meet the demands of manufacturing jewelers, I have to advise that it is not deemed advisable to authorize shipments of gold to your Mint from the United States Assay Office at New York at the expense of the Government for the purpose named. It will be necessary therefore for you to refer requests for gold 999 fine to the New York Assay Office.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 30, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith find copies of Treasury Department Circulars #57 dated September 11, 1916, and #195 dated January 24, 1921, certain paragraphs of which have been check-marked for your information in connection with your letter of January 29th concerning undelivered checks in your possession. Please be guided by the directions contained in these circulars for these and future similar items.

It is noted that the last item in your letter of January 29th, check dated January 7, 1919, is stated as payable from your 1920 wages appropriation. If the check in question was dated in January, 1919, it apparently would be payable from your 1919 appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 31, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of January 30, 1923, you are authorized to pay the voucher of the General Chemical Company in the amount of $202.00, covering 40 carboys, full and empty, on hand at your Mint. It is understood that as these carboys are emptied they will be returned to the General Chemical Company and credited against future purchases of acid.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 31, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United States Smelting Refining & Mining Co., 300,000 ounces of Pittman silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

About the first of the current fiscal year the Bureau was called upon for an estimate of expected mint service expenditures during the year. The year's program seemed to indicate probable need of the unexpended balance of the appropriation for "New Machinery and Appliances" and the estimate was submitted on that basis, the Bureau of the Budget consenting, upon request, to release the funds for use.

The funds will remain available during this fiscal year only, but should not be obligated unless there is real need. Such an amount as remains unobligated at the end of June, 1923, will be covered into the Surplus Fund, after which it will have passed to the control of Congress and will no longer be subject to expenditure.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 1, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing letter received today from the Bureau of Standards, Department of Commerce, requesting that the Bureau be allowed to borrow 200 ounces of the purest available silver for experimental purposes. Will you please advise this Bureau if, in your estimation, it will be practicable to lend this amount to the Bureau of Standards. Please return the enclosure with your reply.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

It is noted from your letter of January 25th that you are informed smelting companies who purchase sweeps would prefer to receive them crushed to a ¼" size instead of pulverized, as at present. This would probably result in little, if any, actual recovery by the mint of metal from the sweeps, giving the smelters about double the quantity of gold and silver they receive by present practice, upon which to make their deduction of 5% on silver and 7¢ per ounce on gold, etc.

It is noted, also, that to produce a refining charge of $80 per ton on a 5% basis would require the sweeps value to average $1600 per ton, while mint service sweeps, according to annual reports for 1921 and 1922, average, including the bars recovered and tailings contents, less than $800 per ton. Of course a low metal content adds to the percentage of treatment cost - or proportionate loss on our sales of sweeps.

Another item which may be a factor tending toward low bids on sweeps offered for sale is that of assays. If the assays reported in your letter of January 16th, on sweeps treated in connection with the Phillips & Jacobs test, are at all typical, considerable allowance for them would be necessary. Allowances of this kind are very liable to favor the bidder.

It is inferred from the available information that Phillips & Jacobs would not be willing to treat your sweeps on the first suggested basis of a 5% charge for refining, paying you full value of gold and silver.

It is also noted from reference to our files that there is no record of a bid in recent years from Phillips & Jacobs for sweeps which you have offered for sale.

Would suggest that you invite bids from Phillips & Jacobs on the next lots of sweeps to be sold - their offers on a few lots should be of interest in connection with this subject.

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If you procure a new crusher the Bureau will be interested in comparative data, based on all elements that may be involved, as to the results of any further tests that may be made with a view to reducing losses on sweeps sold.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 1, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of January 31, enclosing letter from the Engraver recommending trial of the Leeds & Northrup Company Hump Treatment Electric Furnace for a period of sixty days, and asking authority to purchase same at $690.00 if the test proves satisfactory, this letter will be authority for you to permit the Leeds & Northrup Company to install the furnace, with the understanding that it is to be tried for the period of sixty days before purchase is made. If it is determined at that time to purchase the furnace it is understood that it is to be paid for from the appropriation "For new machinery and appliances, Philadelphia Mint, [illegible]." It is also understood that there is no competition on this furnace as it is a patented article and no competitive bids were obtainable.

Respectfully,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 2, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of February 1, 1923, you are authorized to purchase from The Akron Manufacturing Company a machine for turning coin bags, at a cost of $75.00, which includes one set of points for different sizes of bags. It is understood that this is a patented article and that competitive bids are not obtainable. Payment for this appliance is to be made from the appropriation "New machinery and appliances, Philadelphia Mint."

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 2, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of February 1, you are authorized to accept the proposal of the Joseph Dixon Crucible Co. to supply your Mint with 200 #70 special crucibles at $9.50 each less 1%.

You are authorized to accept the proposal of R. B. Seidel, Inc. to furnish your mint with 200 #1 cups at 30 cents each less 1% and 200 #3 cups at 50 cents each less 1%.

It is understood that the award is made to the Joseph Dixon Crucible Company for the reason that the graphite goods furnished by this concern are most satisfactory and in the long run more economical to the Government.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 2, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of February 1, 1923 you are authorized to accept the bid of the Williams Patent Crusher and Pulverizer Company to furnish your Mint with a #2 Little Giant Crusher at a cost of $300 f.o.b. your Mint. It is understood that to rebuild or repair the old machine would cost as much or more than a new one. Payment for this machine is to be made from the appropriation "New Machinery and appliances, Philadelphia Mint." It is understood that the bid of the Williams Patent Crusher and Pulverizer Company is the lower of two received.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 2, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Boise, Idaho.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, Carson City, Nevada.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Deadwood, S. Dak.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Helena, Mont.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Sir:

With reference to the second paragraph of Bureau letter of January 11th, you are advised that the Bureau is now in receipt of information from the Secretary's office that recommendations for "increase of compensation" to newly appointed employees will be given consideration. You may therefore continue the practice previously in effect of making such recommendations, within the limits authorized early in the fiscal year.

With reference to the next to last paragraph of same letter, please be advised that since that letter was written the Bureau has been informed that monthly reports of cash disbursements may be discontinued and that in lieu thereof quarterly reports of amounts obligated will be required. If your regular monthly schedules of disbursements, encumbrances, etc., are forwarded in time to reach the Bureau by the 12th of each month no special reports will be required as the Bureau will then have sufficient information for preparation of report for the Budget Bureau.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 2, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of February 1, 1923, you are authorized to purchase from the Surface Combustion Company six automatic mixers for utilizing gas at high pressure in three rotary annealing furnaces, at a cost of $192.00, f.o.b. Mott Haven Yards, New York or point of shipment. It is understood that this equipment includes inspirators with gauges and drawing showing method of connection. It is also understood that payment for this installation is to be made from the appropriation "New Machinery and appliances, Philadelphia Mint."

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 2, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing letter received today by the Bureau from the Supervising Architect dated January 26, also letter dated February 2, enclosing a copy of the recommendation made by the representative of the Architect's office as a result of his recent visit to the Mint. I am also enclosing copy of report made to the Secret Service Division by the local agent in Philadelphia relative to the different matters connected with the watch force attached to the Mint.

Will you please read this correspondence carefully, and with return of the papers advise me if you are in accord with the recommendations made by the representative of the Architect's office, as to the necessity of the different improvements enumerated, and if you have carried out as far as practicable, the recommendations made in the letter of the agent of the Secret Service Division.

Please return enclosures with your reply.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 3, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have your letter of February 2, 1923, enclosing statement of coins reserved for Annual Assay by the various mints during the calendar year 1922. A similar statement was compiled by this office and forwarded to you under date of January 25.

Please refer to the item, standard silver dollars reserved for the annual assay by the Philadelphia Mint. It will be noted that there is a difference of 3,727 pieces between our statement and that drawn up by you, which difference is covered by the three forms enclosed herewith. It is noted that each of these forms is headed, "Supplemental to calendar year 1921." Are the pieces reported on the forms enclosed to be included in the total amount of silver dollars reserved by the Philadelphia Mint for this year's Commission?

The amount reserved by the Mint at San Francisco agrees with the records of this office, while the number of dollars reported by you as having been reserved by the Mint at Denver is correct, namely 7,546.

Please return the enclosures with your reply.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 5, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1923 has been approved in the following sums;

Salaries	$ 2,000.00
Wages of Workmen	15,000.00
Contingent Expenses	19,000.00
Increase of Compensation	7,000.00
New Machinery & Appliances	1,000.00
T o t a l	$44,000.00

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 6, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please refer to letter from this Bureau under date of January 25, 1923, giving a list of the members of the Assay Commission who are to meet at your Mint February 14, 1923. The ninth name on this list should be spelled "Hough" and not "Huff". Will you please change your records accordingly.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 6, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am returning herewith, approved, statement of coins reserved for the Annual Assay Commission by the various mints during the calendar year 1922, it being understood that the coins mentioned in our letter of February 3 were manufactured in 1921, re-weighed during 1922 prior to the meeting of the Assay Commission, and are not to be included in the number reserved for this year's Commission.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 6, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 5, 1923, stating that you can supply the Bureau of Standards with 200 ounces of practically proof electrolytic silver.

The Bureau of Standards has requested that you furnish this silver from several melts so that the entire amount will not be of the same purity. They also request that you include about 10 ounces of the finest proof silver with the above amount, if it can be spared. It is desirable to have the metal cast in bars or rods of approximately one centimeter cross section and a few smaller samples for spectroscopic tests in sheet form about one or two millimeters thick, if possible.

If practicable, please forward this amount of silver, as a loan, directly to the Bureau of Standards.

Respectfully,

M M. O'Reilly

Q. Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 7, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing letter received from the Secretary of State enclosing a letter from the Ambassador of Great Britain at this Capital asking for information about nickel coinage. The Bureau is aware that you have never made pure nickel coinage, but I would appreciate your courtesy in assisting me to answer this letter by giving me whatever information or opinion you may care to send regarding any experiment you may have made with the pure metal.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 8, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of February 6, 1923, you are authorized to accept the bid of Edward D. Read & Son to furnish your Mint with approximately 250 pounds of ingrain carpet, at 75¢ a pound, this carpet to be used as a filler for mitts. It is understood that this is the only bid received upon material suitable for your use.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 8, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 6th relative to a pump and pressure tank loaned some time ago to the Mint by Mr. Ellis Pugh. You state that it was for a number of years used before it was replaced by another, discarded and finally sold as junk.

It is presumed that Mr. Pugh lent the implement voluntarily and he must have know that it was being used and worn out. It was also, presumably, placed with worn and useless material and sold without the fact of its having been private property being known to the employees charged with the duty of ridding the mint of useless materials. As the tank was apparently long since abandoned by Mr. Pugh it is not quite clear to this Bureau that you should be called upon to replace the same with a new one.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 8, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to the proposed improvements covered by your letter of February 6, 1923, relative to additional protection to entrances, and which the representative of the Supervising Architect agreed should be provided, in case the Architect is not able to make these improvements immediately would it be possible for you to advise the Bureau of the approximate cost to the Mint of installing absolutely necessary grills and gates. You have noticed that the Architect's estimate was for approximately $2,000. This included the following:

Gate at outside east court	$200.00
Single door near west court	100.00
Double gate entrance to shipping room	100.00
Two arched gates in corridor to vaults	500.00
Three gates in corridor to vaults . .	650.00
Window in weighing room	150.00
	1700.00
20% profit	340.00
Approximately.	2000.00

In case the Bureau is able to get permission from the Comptroller General to use the contingent fund of the Mint, how much of this equipment would you advise to undertake and install at our expense, and what would be the lowest possible estimate, taking into consideration the fact that you might supply some of the material and labor of the Mint? Of course you cannot undertake any of this work until specifically authorized, but the Bureau will not take the matter up with the General Accounting Office until your reply is received.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 9, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United Metals Selling Company 500,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 9, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of February 8, 1923, you are authorized to accept the bid of Wm. Easterbrook, Jr. to install a black iron hood over the deposit melting furnaces at a cost of $318.00, it being understood that this is the lowest of three bids received, and that payment will be made from the appropriation "New Machinery and Equipment Philadelphia Mint."

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please forward the Bureau information concerning the life of coinage dies during the calendar year 1922, as below. Similar information should also be forwarded at the close of each future calendar year.

Life of Coinage Dies Calendar Year 1922.

Denomination	Number of pieces struck	Reported coinage pieces	Dies used		Pieces struck per die	
			Ob.	Rs.	Ob.	Rs.
Double eagles- - - - -		1,375,000				
Dollars-Grant Memorial		10,016				
Standard dollars - - -		51,737,000				
Half dollars-Grant - -		100,061				
Foreign Coinage						
Costa Rico, gold 2-colone- - - - - - -		13,030				
Colombia, silver ½ peso		3,000,000				
Venezuela " 2 bolivar		1,000,000				
" " 1 "		1,000,000				
" " ½ "		800,000				
Nicaragua, bronze,- 1 centavo- - - - -		500,000				
Nicaragua, bronze,- ½ centavo- - - - -		400,000				

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, amount $2.95, covering transportation charges on 7,000 coin bags from Philadelphia to Washington, Nov. 28, 1922, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In order to comply with the request of the British Embassy dated January 31, 1923, I would be pleased to have you furnish this Bureau with the following information:

> "Were any medals struck at the mint or mints during 1922? If so, give particulars as to numbers, metals, etc."

Respectfully,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your voucher for reimbursement to Contingent Expenses appropriation from the silver dollar fund of expenses incurred during January, 1923 is herewith returned. It is noted that the item "Copper - $24,000.00" apparently covers the purchase of copper made during January. Inasmuch as your institution is working on gold coinage it is probable that a portion of the copper in question will be used for gold coinage alloy, the cost thereof not being chargeable to the silver dollar fund, it is requested that a new voucher be rendered on which the charge for copper will approximate the cost of that used for silver dollar coinage to the end of January, not previously reimbursed.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

S

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 13, 1923.

Hon. Freas Styer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Styer:

This letter will be presented by Mr. W. deC. Ravenel, Administrative assistant to the Secretary in Charge of the National Museum, and Mr. T. T. Belote, Curator of History in the National Museum.

These gentlemen desire to inspect the numismatic collection, and I will be obliged if you will place at their disposal every facility to do so under the most favorable circumstances.

Very truly yours,

H. M. Rosilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 14, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company 2,000,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 14, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following bills of your office against the Mint at San Francisco have been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, the amounts to be credited to your 1923 appropriations as indicated:

For 10 beams for automatic weighing machines and 12 dollar collars for large ring furnished		$568.00
Contingent Expenses	$ 73.21	
Wages of Workmen	494.79	568.00
For 12 dollar size baskets for weighing machines furnished		$180.00
Contingent Expenses	$ 18.00	
Wages of Workmen	162.00	180.00

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 15, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing copy of letter to Frank Schampp Company relative to a deposit of gold, and am today sending you by registered mail the package referred to. Will you kindly communicate directly with this firm.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 17, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of February 16, you are authorized to purchase from Shoemaker & Busch, 2 barrels, approximately 1,100 pounds, of bone ash for use in making cupels, at 14 cents a pound. It is understood that this is the only bid received, and that bone ash furnished by other dealers has not been at all satisfactory.

Respectfully,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 17, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir;

It is suggested that when adjustments have been made incident to the work of the Annual Assay Commission the recoinage silver bullion being held at $1.29+ per ounce, be closed out by assigning to it some of the silver dollars being manufactured.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please forward to this Bureau, together with your account for the same, one Harding Presidential medal and one McKinley Presidential medal, both in bronze, and each in a case.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
February 20, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Appointment Connolly temporary helper without bonus approved

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 20, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company 1,500,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

W. M. Daily

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 20, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, amount $2.63, covering transportation on 1 case envelopes from Richmond, Va. to Philadelphia, Pa., January 16, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Wm M O'Reilly

s Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 21, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your bill against the New York Assay Office, amount $112.50, covering 75 prs. canvas mitts furnished, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, the amount to be credited to your 1923 appropriations as follows;

Wages of Workmen	$45.00
Contingent Expenses	67.50
	$112.50

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 21, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your bill against the San Francisco Mint, amount $51.00 covering 6 weight hangers for automatic weighing machines, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, the amount to be credited to your 1923 appropriations as follows;

Wages of Workmen	$42.53
Contingent Expenses	8.47
	$51.00

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 21, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith returned is voucher of the Depot Quartermaster covering 39 yds. ribbon furnished. Please cause the appropriation to which credit of the amount is desired to be indicated on face of voucher.

Attention is invited to method of advertising as indicated in certification on face of voucher as "4b", which when followed out on reverse of voucher indicates that "The articles wanted are patented or copyrighted" etc. While the only source of supply for this particular kind of ribbon may be the Quartermaster Corps, it is not probable that it is patented or copyrighted, therefore the method of advertising indicated does not apply in this case. You are advised that reasons for omission of advertising, other than those shown on reverse of voucher, may be given when the reasons shown do not apply, they being only "Among" the reasons which may be assigned. Any reasons assigned, however, should be adequate.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Inc.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 21, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir;

I am returning herewith letter from the Rock Island Arsenal enclosed with your letter of February 20, and have to state that the Department deems it best not to purchase silver stored for sale at the Arsenal. It is not considered desirable to invest money in the purchase of this silver which must necessarily remain at the Mint of no service to the Government for some time to come. The Treasury Department has made every effort to reduce the stock of silver on hand, and there is no prospect of coining subsidiary silver for some time to come. It would, therefore, be inadvisable to purchase silver described from the Rock Island Arsenal.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 21, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from Calumet and Hecla Mining Company 83,762 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 23, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith please find tentative drafts of proposed bookkeepers metal custody account forms, together with a general sweeps register form, for general use in the mint service. Please give consideration to same and return at as early a date as practicable with such comment or suggestions as considered pertinent.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Enc.

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing vouchers covering expenses incurred by Hon. Albert H. Vestal and Mrs. G. L. Austill in attending the sessions of the Annual Assay Commission. Will you please forward Mrs. Austill's check to her at Congress Hall, Washington, D.C. C/ Congressman Vestal

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 23, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Secretary of the Treasury has decided to transfer to the National Museum at Washington the collection of coins, tokens and medals in the Mint at Philadelphia. This has been done for the reason that the Mint is closed indefinitely to visitors and the collection is thus shut away from the public. If it is placed in the National Museum it will be accessible to the people from all parts of the country. As the collection is a national one its transfer is justified in the interest of the larger public which will have the benefit of the collection at the Museum.

The Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution has been requested to send a representative to confer with you as to the best system to be employed in packing the coins and medals for shipment. At a later date the matter of transferring the cases will be taken up. At the present time we are concerned with the safe transfer of the custody of the coins and medals to the National Museum. This Bureau has assured the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution that every assistance will be rendered by you in accomplishing the wishes of the Secretary in the transfer of this collection. The cost of packing and shipping the coins will have to be borne by the Mint. It is expected that once a scheme has been agreed upon by you and a representative of the Museum the packing can be done by trusted employees of the Mint.

It is obviously desirable that no publicity be given this transfer for the present. Due notice will be given the public when the collection is available for inspection by the public at the Museum.

Respectfully,

D. W. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of February 23, relative to the purchase of a stamp suitable for stamping mail, I would suggest that the price of this stamp is probably rather small and it would seem to be better not to purchase it from the appropriation "New Machinery and Appliances, Philadelphia Mint" but from your regular contingent fund.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I beg to confirm telephone communication of February 23, 1923, and receipt of your letter of the same date, relative to the manufacture of 80,000 pounds of nickel blanks now held at your Mint. It is understood that the manufacture of these blanks can be undertaken without appreciable additional cost to the Government, and it would be more expedient to have the material in the form of coins than to carry it in its present partly manufactured and unfinished state.

Respectfully,

W M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please return to the Bureau your letter quoting prices on medals, and also letter from the Navy Department relative to the same, to be filed in this office with your letter of February 23 quoting price on Gold Divisional Rifle Competition medals, and would suggest that you return drawing received from the Navy Department in order that it may be returned to them with your quotation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Secretary of the Treasury has advised the Secretary of State, in response to an inquiry from the Peruvian Ambassador that the Mint at Philadelphia will undertake the coinage desired by his Government. It is understood that the coinage to be undertaken is 2,000,000 five-cent nickel pieces and that the cost to be imposed is at the rate of $4.00 per thousand pieces, including the cost of working dies but not the cost of material or packing. It is understood that the Consul General at New York is to receive and make payment for this coin. This letter is authority to proceed with the coinage.

Respectfully,

[illegible]

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 24, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Southern Pacific Company, amount $43.70, covering transportation charges on 5000 #1 coin bags to San Francisco, December 15, 1922, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. D. O'Reilly

s Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 26, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Concerning your accounts for the quarter ended December 31, 1922, the following has been noted and is brought to attention;

In checking the transfers, in and out of the bullion fund and the recoinage fund, as shown by the account current and as reported by the Treasurer (in total), a difference of $78 appears on each side of the bullion fund; this represents silver special assay coin bar value received from the Bureau for account of San Francisco mint $32 and Denver mint $46; it was reported to the Treasurer as having been taken into the bullion fund and later transferred to the recoinage fund, but on the account current is shown only as a receipt in the silver recoinage bullion account. It is suggested that future similar items be reported to the Treasurer as receipts in the recoinage fund instead of being carried through the bullion fund; if this will not be satisfactory to you please explain any difficulties incident thereto.

October voucher #176 and November voucher #222, favor of O. F. Zurn Company, for cylinder oil; please advise why purchase was not made of the Sun Company per the 1923 contract. In this connection, please advise the Bureau whether the cylinder oil supplied by the contractor conformed to the specifications upon which his bid and the contract were made. If not, the contractor should be called upon to furnish cylinder oil in accordance with the specifications at the contract price, and if he fails to do so he should be debarred from bidding on future supplies unless he furnishes bond guaranteeing performance. If such bond were furnished it would be possible, in case he defaulted, to buy oil in the open market, charging any excess cost over contract price to him and collecting same on bond.

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October voucher #188, favor of Sullivan, Smythfield Co., for gloves, is herewith returned. Please note that deliveries of 230 gloves were made on both September 1st and 22nd, a total of 460 gloves delivered, whereas, charges are made for 10 doz. and 40 doz., a total of 50 doz. or 600 gloves. Explanation of discrepancy is requested.

October voucher #192, favor of A. Berkman, for unbleached muslin, is also returned. Date of proposal is October 10, 1922, while date of acceptance and delivery is October 2, 1922. If proposal attached to voucher is confirmation of bid received October 9th by telephone or otherwise, it should be so indicated on the proposal. Attention has been several times called to inconsistencies of this character. The records should be made to reflect the real methods used in making purchases. If merely perfunctory compliance with laws and regulations seems to be indicated by vouchers it probably will not be long until you are called upon to furnish evidence of competition with each voucher - all proposals received, carbon copies of orders or acceptances, etc.

November voucher #240, favor of Valvoline Oil Company for mould oil; please advise why purchase was not made from the O. F. Zurn Co. per the 1923 contract.

December voucher #313, favor of the Elk Fire Brick Co.; there appears to be no quotation on the eighth item,- "10 #dkno spiral shape X-51-C, @ $3.56 ,$35.60" nor any indication of method of purchase. Explanation is requested.

December vouchers #328 and #329 are herewith returned for signature of approval.

Where proposals are received by telephone, notations of all bids received and the amount of each should be shown on the reverse of voucher. Kindly furnish quotations recieved by telephone for the following vouchers, included in the December accounts:

#310 - Hines, Turner Glass Company.
325 - Jos. B. Bechtel and Co., Inc.
327 - Philadelphia Boiler Works.
335 - J. H. Jolley and Company.
338 - W. H. Alexander.
339 - Oliver Halsbury.
352 - Ford and Kendig Co.

Assay reports No. 2349, 2475, 2512, 2521, 2557, 2620, 2670, and 2757, covering deposits of Mexican gold coin, are herewith returned. It is requested that these and all future assay reports on deposits be made to show full 1000 parts. Mexican silver coins usually contain some gold and the gold coins some silver; when the silver in gold coins does not equal 8 parts and the base is copper, it will be satisfactory to the Bureau if you bracket the silver and base metal columns and note the combined number of thousandths with the words "suitable for alloy".

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Assay report #2869 is returned for signature.

It is noted that on deposits of white gold the extra charge in each case is stated under the head of melting and is included in the melting charge column. It is requested that, in accordance with Bureau authorization dated December 4, 1922, extra charges hereafter be stated as "Toughening".

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inc.

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February 26, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United Metals Selling Company 800,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

M. W. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 27, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company 1,500,000 ounces Pittman silver purchased today for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 27, 1923.

Dear Mr. Styer:

This letter will introduce Miss Essie Jacobson and two friends who desire to witness the operations of the Mint. The authority for the admission of Miss Jacobson and her friends has been granted by the Undersecretary.

Any courtesy you extend to them will be appreciated by this office.

Respectfully,

M. D. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Hon. Frank Styer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

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February 27, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am forwarding today by express 10.75 ounces of gold coin scrap and 3.91 ounces of cornets (3.87 fine ounces at 999 fine), value $280.00, together with 199.375 ounces of silver coin scrap (S.S.dollars), valued at $232.00.

The following accounts should be credited to San Francisco, Denver and Philadelphia respectively, being the value of metal resulting from special assay coins forwarded to the Bureau up to and including December, 1922.

San Francisco	
Standard Silver Dollar coinage metal	$ 78.00
Denver	
Standard Silver Dollar coinage metal	78.00
Philadelphia	
Gold Coin, Double Eagles	280.00
Standard Silver Dollar coinage metal	78.00
	$512.00

Please proceed to make these entries without formal transfer, and notify San Francisco and Denver when the transfers have been made.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

It is noted that you have not credited on report forms 1055 and 1055-A miners affidavits received from the American Metal Company covering 49,421 ounces Pittman silver, said affidavits having accompanied deposit certificate #116 of November 13, 1922. Please have this correction made on your February report.

Of the affidavits on hand in the Bureau received from the United Metals Selling Company there will be forwarded with your December quarter accounts miners affidavits totaling 1,812,851 ounces. Please include this item on your February reports to the Bureau. We also have on hand miners affidavits from this concern to a total of 2,043,443 ounces, which affidavits will be forwarded as supporting your accounts for the current quarter. Please also make record of these and carry this item in your reports to the Bureau. Any additional silver received by you from the United Metals Selling Company should be supported by miners affidavits received by you from the company.

It is also noted that you have not filed for some time any miners affidavits in support of Pittman silver receipts from the Nichols Copper Company.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Voucher of the Depot Quartermaster covering 39 yards Spanish Campaign Ribbon furnished, is again returned, attention being called to second paragraph of Bureau letter of February 21, 1923, accompanying voucher.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 2, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United States Smelting and Refining Company 300,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 3, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

With reference to Bureau letter of February 23, forwarding tentative drafts of proposed bookkeeper's metal custody account forms, it is requested that consideration be also given to the practicability of having the bookkeeper keep only a running account, unclassified, with each department, of receipts and issues of gold, silver, nickel and bronze; each department to keep its own classified account and be responsible for correctness of the classification, for purpose of making reports, etc. This would seem to be the logical procedure, avoid unnecessary duplication and provide the needed check on totals. If this is not practical please explain fully.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

F. Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 3, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendations contained in your letter of March 2 you are authorized to accept the bid of the Swind Machinery Company covering one #46½ Beloit Alligator Shear at a cost of $558.00, it being understood that this is the lowest of three bids received.

You are also authorized to accept the bid of Henry Troemner covering 1 Assay Balance, sensibility 1/100 mg., at a cost of $260.00. It is understood that a lower bid on this article was submitted but that it did not cover the kind of balance required.

It is understood that both these purchases are to be paid for from the appropriation "New Machinery and Appliances, Mint at Philadelphia."

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 3, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith copy of letter written on January 13, 1921, relative to the case of Mr. Clifford Hewitt, who is now on leave of absence doing work for a foreign Government. You will note from the last paragraph that Mr. Hewitt had a status for retransfer upon the completion of his work at Manila, and his work at Manila was completed about August, 1920. Upon the completion of his services at the Manila Mint Mr. Hewitt entered into contract with the Chinese Government to install Mint equipment in a Province of China. Under Section 2 Rule IX he is carried as having a status for reinstatement in the United States Mint and Assay Service at the completion of his services with the Chinese Government, providing it does not extend for a period of over three years from the date he entered the employ of that Government. That three years will be up in August of this year.

The Department of Commerce and the Department of State desire, on account of the American interests involved in the equipment and building of the Chinese Mint, to retain the services of Mr. Hewitt beyond the period of his present extension of three years. He will be carried for a period of not to exceed three years from the date of the expiration of his present furlough, which is understood to be about August, 1923.

Will you please forward to the Bureau a recommendation in triplicate asking that Mr. Hewitt may be carried on extension under Section 2 Rule IX for a period of not more than three years from the date of the expiration of his present furlough.

It will be understood by you that if Mr. Hewitt returns he will be reinstated and given employment at that time, not necessarily in his former position.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.

January 13, 1921.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of January 8, 1921, concerning Mr. Clifford Hewitt, superintendent of machinery at the Philadelphia Mint, who was granted leave of absence for a period of ten months from October 14, 1919, to allow him to proceed to the Philippines to essemble and put into operation mint machinery manufactured at the Philadelphia Mint for the Manila Mint. It is stated that in the fall of 1920, upon completion of the work, Mr. Hewitt entered into contract with the Chinese Government to install mint equipment in a province of China, and that he now makes application to be granted privilege to retain his present civil service status with leave of absence for three years without pay, and assurance of reinstatement as a mint employee at the end of that time. Attention is invited to section 2, Civil Service Rule IX, which provides for the reinstatement of a person resigning a scientific, professional, or technical position in the competitive service in which he has acquired training and experience not to be acquired elsewhere, to enter the service of a foreign Government in a similar capacity within three years from the date of his separation from the competitive service, and information requested as to whether Mr. Hewitt may be considered as eligible for reinstatement within three years from the date of his assignment to duty at Manila, or when he entered the employ of the Chinese Government.

In reply you are informed that as Mr. Hewitt had a status for transfer to his former position in the Mint at Philadelphia upon the completion of his services at Manila, he will be considered, under section 2, Rule IX, as having a status for reinstatement in the United States Mint and Assay Service at the completion of his service with the Chinese Government, provided it does not extend over a period of three years from the date he entered the employ of that Government.

By direction of the Commission:

Very respectfully

Morrison

President.

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March 3, 1923.

Dear Mr. Styer:

This will introduce the members of the senior class of the High School at Uxbridge, Mass., who desire to witness the operations of the Mint. The Secretary of the Treasury has authorized us to issue this letter.

This Bureau will appreciate your courtesy in extending every attention to this class.

Respectfully,

H. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Hon. Freas Styer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

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March 5, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please forward, with your account for the same, the following medals in bronze to Mr. Ethan Allen Dennison, 288 Lexington Avenue, New York, N.Y.

1	Washington
1	Jefferson
1	Lincoln
1	McAdoo
2	Secretary MacVeagh

It is understood that it is not customary for you to forward medals before they are paid for. The person making the request for these medals is a personal friend of Secretary MacVeagh, and the Bureau will appreciate it if you will forward the medals with the account.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 5, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1923 has been approved in the following sums;

Salaries	$ 5,000.00
Wages of Workmen	40,000.00
Contingent Expenses	10,000.00
Increase of Compensation	7,000.00
New Machinery and Appliances	2,000.00
T o t a l	$64,000.00

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

s Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 7, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United States Smelting Refining and Mining Company 120,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 7, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The records of this office show purchases of Pittman silver for Philadelphia delivery, during December 1922, as below. Please inform the Bureau as to the quantity remaining undelivered to you by each concern as of December 31, 1922, also undelivered quantities of any prior Bureau purchases. This has no reference, of course, to any fractional differences due to short deliveries on round amounts purchased, etc.

	Ounces
American Smelting & Refining Co.	3,000,000
United Metals Selling Co.	1,100,000
U. S. Smelting, Ref. & Min'g. Co.	586,000
Nichols Copper Co.	65,000
American Metal Co.	59,000
Pennsylvania Smelting Co.	4,500
Ricketts	14,000
	4,828,500

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 8, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Metal Company 50,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

M. W. McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

March 9, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following bills of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company have been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation;

For transportation of,-

2 chests rifles and parts from Nixon, N.J., Jan. 16, 1923 ($1.23) and 698 lbs. small arms ammunition from Metuchen, N.J., Jan. 18, 1923($2.37)	$3.60
1 case pistol and cartridge belts, from Brooklyn, N.Y., Jan.23, 1923 ($.54) and 1 box envelopes from Washington, Jan. 30, 1923 ($1.00)	1.54

Respectfully,

R. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your bill against the San Francisco Mint covering 6 sheet steel roll cages, for cutting press ratchets furnished, amount $193.87, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, the amount to be credited to your 1923 appropriations as follows;

Wages of Workmen	$170.94
Contingent Expenses	22.93
	$193.87

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 10, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company one million five hundred thousand ounces of silver and from the American Metals Company 50,000 ounces of silver purchased this day for delivery to your Mint under the terms of the Pittman Act.

Respectfully

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please refer to your letters of August 1, 1922, and March 9, 1923, relative to the question of undelivered purchases of Pittman Act silver.

Relative to the American Smelting & Refining Co's. account, it was understood from letter of August 1, 1922, that on June 30 approximately 1,000,000 ounces of purchases remained undelivered (purchase of June 21st totaling 1,500,000 ounces less advance of 474,000 equals 1,026,000). According to the Bureau's records the purchases for Philadelphia Delivery from July 1st to December 31, 1922, totaled 7,500,000 ounces while your reports showed deliveries during that period of 7,565,602 ounces. When considering the quantity undelivered on June 30th, the indications from the above figures would be that approximately 960,000 ounces remained undelivered December 31st, while your letter of March 9, 1923, states the quantity as 2,023,750 ounces.

It is the desire of the Bureau to bring its records into agreement with your own and to that end it is requested that information be provided for reconciling this apparent discrepancy.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 12, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Secretary of the Treasury has approved the design submitted by Mr. Chester Beach through the Fine Arts Commission for the Monore Doctrine Centennial Coin. Mr. Beach has today been requested to forward to you a satisfactory model from which a reduction is to be made at the Mint. It is understood that the Mint is to be paid for the cost of making this reduction, and that the working dies are to be supplied free of charge by the Mint.

It has been decided to have these coins manufactured at the United States Mint in San Francisco, and as soon as the working dies are prepared please advise this Bureau. It is the judgment of this Bureau that but a few dies should be sent at first as it is probable that the coinage will not be called for in any great quantities at once. However, the Bureau would be very glad to have the benefit of your judgment in this matter.

Respectfully,

Mary McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 12, 1923.

Superintendent,
U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.
U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado.
U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.

Sir:

In connection with the accompanying General Accounting Regulation #21, dated March 10, 1923, you will in future forward triplicate bills on Government voucher form for services rendered, supplies furnished, or articles sold, direct to the office placing the order or as directed by such office. For articles sent to one of the Mint Service institutions bills should be rendered to the consignee. A Mint Service institution which has received articles properly billed from another such institution, or from another department or establishment, will promptly make payment in accordance with directions, by check against the appropriation properly chargeable.

Amounts collected will be scheduled as to date, source, for what, and amount reimbursable to each appropriation or revenue head affected, the totals to be carried to the account current of the period in which collection is made.

Encumbrances against appropriations, covering estimated cost of articles ordered, will be set up in the regular series, instead of as memos per past practice.

As heretofore, work for others will not be undertaken until after authorization by the Bureau, through which orders will be placed. The changes authorized have to do only with collections and payments.

Respectfully,

Mary McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 13, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of March 12 relative to the transfer to the National Museum of the Mint collection of coins, tokens and medals, it will be satisfactory to obtain a receipt from the official of the National Museum for the coins, tokens and medals as they appear in the cabinets, - by countries and the number of coins contained in each section of the cabinets as now placed under the head of the coinage of that particular country.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

March 14, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of March 10 stating you had on hand four wooden lead-lined tanks and one cistern, you are advised that the Superintendent of the Assay Office at New York, to whom your letter was referred, has replied that he will be unable to use the tank equipment, and I would suggest that bids be invited and that the tanks and cistern be sold to the highest bidder as useless equipment.

Respectfully,

M. McReelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

March 15, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of March 14 you are authorized to purchase from the Midvale Steel and Ordnance Co., 3,000 pounds of Extra Grade IX Steel, 1-7/8" round, for use in making coinage dies, at the rate of 24¢ a pound. It is understood that it is impracticable to procure bids on the die steel used by you for the reason that this is the only grade of steel satisfactory to you, and which has been tested by the Bureau of Standards.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 15, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of March 13 you are authorized to manufacture the following equipment for the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, it being understood that the charges imposed are sufficient to cover the cost to the Government for the work to be performed and the material to be used:

#5 Hoppers @ $180 each	$ 900
#5 sets of 6 boards @ $35 each	1050
	$1950

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

March 15, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of your letter of March 14, outlining your plan for discontinuance of the services of helpers and temporary employees, as far as practicable, and your plan for coinage, which I am sure will be satisfactory to the Department.

Respectfully,

M McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 16, 1923.

ALL MINT SERVICE INSTITUTIONS

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing copy of the Reclassification Act, which applies to the Field Service. No plan of classification for the Mint Service has yet been determined upon. It is expected that tentative arrangements for reclassification of the Field Service are being worked out by the Reclassification Committee, and as soon as the Bureau has any information whatever it will immediately communicate with you.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United Metals Selling Company 400,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

March 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United Metals Selling Company 400,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of recent date, the relative to the transfer of deposit bullion to New York, the Bureau is today in receipt of a letter from the Superintendent, copy of which is enclosed and explains itself.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 17, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am returning herewith contract and bond of the Bell Coal Company for furnishing your mint with coal during the fiscal year, and have to call your attention to the letter of the Solicitor of the Treasury relative to the printed instructions on the contract bond requiring that "the names of each member of the firm must appear in the body of the bond."

Will you please have this matter attended to immediately. The General Accounting Office has called several times for this bond and it is difficult for us to explain why it has been at large for most of the fiscal year.

Respectfully,

Mary McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

March 21, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United States Smelting Refining & Mining Co. 300,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 21, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

With reference to Senator Wadsworth's letter of March 19, addressed to Philadelphia and forwarded by you to this Bureau, relative to granting permission to a party of high school teachers and pupils to visit your Mint, the Bureau has today advised Senator Wadsworth that such permission cannot be granted.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 22, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company 1,500,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 24, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, amount $.69, covering transportation charges on 1 box shotguns from Nixon, N. J., February 7, 1923 has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United Metals Selling Company 400,000 ounces Pittman silver purchased today for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

Mary McRaily

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United States Smelting Refining and Mining Company 170,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

Mary McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 28, 1923.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of March 26 you are advised that the Under Secretary has approved your request to be allowed to pay out a limited number of five cent pieces and one cent pieces, 1923 date, on orders received from coin collectors and numismatists. This permission is not, however, to be interpreted by us as authority to pay the new coins to banks; such orders are, as usual, to be filled only upon order from the Treasurer of the United States.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 28, 1923.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please accept from the Nichols Copper Company 50,000 ounces of silver purchased this day for delivery to your Mint under the terms of the Act of April 23, 1918.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 26, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please forward to this Bureau, with your account for the same, one bronze medal of President Roosevelt, and case for the same; the case to be of the type recently furnished with medals.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 28, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.
San Francisco, California.
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In connection with the work of revising the forms used for recording Mint Service transactions, the Bureau has under consideration the subject of duplications, and their elimination in so far as practicable.

It appears that much of the detail, or sub-classification, necessarily kept by the departments having custody of metals - weigh clerk, Melting and Refining Department, Coining Department, Cashier - is also kept by the bookkeeper.

While it is necessary that the bookkeeper keep the record of ounces and/or values in the custody of the several officers and that such record be kept in constant agreement with that of each department concerned, the logical procedure would seem to be to make the bookkeeper's record summary only, as regards each kind of metal - gold, silver, nickel, bronze - held in each department, disregarding the question as to whether the metals consist of ingots, of clippings or of other sub-classifications. Such subclassifications to be kept by each department concerned, each department to be held responsible for the correctness of its own subclassification and statistical reports therefore. The bookkeeper's information concerning these details necessarily comes from the departments concerned, and so far as this office is aware there appears to be no good reason why the department records should not be relied upon for correctness of the subclassifications.

Please advise the Bureau at an early date as to your views of the matter, giving reasons and full explanation if the duplicate subclassification is considered essential.

A form of suggested bookkeepers metal custody account is enclosed for your consideration.

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Your bookkeeper's preference, as per pencil notations forwarded with your letter of March 20, for keeping the subclassifications would seem to be overcome by the proposal (originally contemplated) that each department be held responsible for the correctness of its own subclassification.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

March 29, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Company, amount 42¢, covering transportation charges on 1 pkg. affidavits to Washington, Feb. 26, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

March 29, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

With reference to the matter of transferring canvas from the Post Office Department in Philadelphia to your Mint, which was taken up with the Purchasing Agent of that Department here, the Bureau has today been informed that it is considered inadvisable to transfer this material.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

March 29, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith $1.35 to cover the cost of medal of President Roosevelt, together with case for the same, which you have been requested to forward.

Respectfully,

Mary M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

March 30, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept the following amounts of silver purchased today from the firms listed below under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint:

United Metals Selling Company	8,500,000	ounces
American Smelting & Refining Co.	1,000,000	"
U.S. Smelting Refining & Mining Co.	1,250,000	"
	10,750,000	"

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 2, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Metal Company, Ltd., 346,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 3, 1923.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from Pennsylvania Smelting Company fifty-eight thousand ounces (58,000) of silver purchased this day for delivery to your Mint under the terms of the Pittman Act.

Respectfully,

F E Baby

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 4, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1923 has been approved in the following sums:

Salaries	$ 5,000.00
Wages	40,000.00
Increase of Compensation	7,000.00
Contingent Expenses	5,000.00
New Machinery and Appliances	1,000.00
	$58,000.00

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 4, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of April 2 you are advised that you are free to purchase National Flags needed by your institution through the General Supply Schedule.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 5, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of April 3, you are authorized to purchase from A. Beckman 1900 yards of ticking at 15 cents per yard, less 2%, 10 days, it being understood that this is the lowest of five bids received.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 5, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of April 3 you are authorized to accept the bid of the East End Waste Company covering 2,000 pounds of white rags at 10 cents a pound, it being understood that this is the lower of two bids received.

You are also authorized to purchase from Shoemaker & Busch 1,000 pounds of fused borax at .194 per pound, it being understood that this is the only bid received of three asked.

Respectfully,

F. E. Leahy

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 6, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith the dollar enclosed in your letter of April 2. It is understood, of course, that dollars in this condition should not be restored to circulation.

Would it be practicable for you to segregate in the mint the circulated coins being returned from the banks so that they can be easily reached some time in the future when they can be sorted by employees at a time when you will be less busy and this work will afford means of keeping your employees occupied when the regular work of the Mint is less pressing.

Respectfully,

F. E. Feiley

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 6, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your letter of April 5 submitting a list of employees of your institution who will reach retirement age during the six months beginning July 1, 1923, has been received, and has been placed on file in the Bureau. It is understood that the required notice will be received from you in advance of the retirement date in each case and that you recommendation will accompany such notice.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 7, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith printer's proof of the Proceedings of the Assay Commission 1923, with request that same be proof-read and returned to the Bureau with any corrections or changes noted thereon. Kindly give this matter early attention.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Enc.

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2--6755

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

April 10, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Authorized purchase one concentrator from only bidder

Cooley.

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
2--5755
This appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2155.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 10, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am forwarding herewith to you today by registered mail a silver chloride bar weighing 33.45 ounces. Please forward granulated proof silver (shot form) to this office in exchange for same.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 11, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

This will confirm telephone communication of this morning advising you that the specimens of the Monroe coin have been examined and found to be highly satisfactory. You are therefore authorized to proceed with the manufacture of working dies and forward the same to the United States Mint at San Francisco where the coins will be manufactured. It is understood that you will be able to ship these dies within three or four days. I am today advising the Mint at San Francisco of this fact.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 11, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United States Smelting Refining & Mining Company 300,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 11, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of April 7 you are authorized to accept the bid of the Pennsylvania Iron and Metal Company covering the following items from a lot of old material of which you wish to dispose, it being understood that the bid of this firm is higher on the articles enumerated than others received:

1 Bolt Cutter
1 Mortising Machine
6 Lead-lined wooden tanks
1 Lead-lined wooden tub.

The balance of the material you are authorized to sell to R. E. Cliggett's Sons.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

Encs.
(bids)

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 11, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have your letter of April 10 enclosing a letter received by you from the Banco De Reserva Del Peru relative to the coinage of up to 4,000,000 soles of silver. I am to-day writing to the National Bank of Commerce of New York stating that no request has been received from the Peruvian Embassy for this coinage, and until the request comes through the usual channels of the State Department, to the Treasury Department from the Peruvian Embassy we will be unable to undertake the coinage.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 12, 1923,

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am returning herewith the two specimens of the Monroe Coin forwarded by you on the 11th instant. I thank you for sending them for inspection and take pleasure intelling you that a verbal report from a member of the Fine Arts Commission is to the effect that the die work on this coin is very excellent.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint,
OR.

Register
Enclosure.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 13, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:.

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company 1,500,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Bosley

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 13, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of April 10 you are authorized to purchase the following equipment to be paid from the appropriation "New Machinery and Appliances, Philadelphia Mint".

1 Westinghouse Standard 10 H.P. Motor, with field rheostat, at $188.50, from the Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co.

1 Capital Internal Grinding Machine, at $680.00, from Sherritt and Stoer Company.

It is understood in both cases the award is being made to the bidder who has given the most advantageous price to the Government.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scott

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 14, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of April 13, 1923, you are authorized to make the following purchases:

2 Copper Colanders 24" x 20" at $85.00 each from George F. Ott Co.

500 ft. fine common white pine at $130.00 per M.
1000 " white pine shelving " 65.00 " "
from Howard Ketcham.

25 #20 crucibles at	$2.40 each		
100 #80 covers at	1.50 "		From
100 #5 dipping cups at	.50 "		R. B. Seidel, Inc.
25 #20 covers at	.60 "		
100 #0 stirrers at	.25 "		

It is understood that the above bids are more advantageous to the Government than others submitted.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.
OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 18, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, amount $1.33, covering transportation charges on 1 case of envelopes from Rockett, Conn. to Philadelphia, Feb. 7, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 18, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Co., amount 52¢, covering transportation charges on plaster cast of Secretary Glass' medal from Philadelphia to Washington, September 19, 1922, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 19, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your communication of April 18 relative to the accounts of the Nichols Copper Co., please be advised that the miner's affidavits referred to have been forwarded directly to this Bureau and you will be informed as to the quantity.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 19, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please forward with your account for the same, to Miss Anita Stephens, Office of the Under Secretary of the Treasury, Treasury Department, Washington, D.C., one bronze medal of President Lincoln and one bronze medal of President Roosevelt, together with cases similar to those recently supplied with the medals.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 19, 1926.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company 1,500,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your mint.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 20, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

My attention has been called to the item of expense for lunches served to the members of the Assay Commission and the officers of the Mint at the recent meeting of the Commission. The amount charged for lunches for two days is $348.40. I think this expenditure is very much in excess of the amount which should have been used for the purpose named. I am writing to call your attention to the charge, and to suggest that on future occasions no such elaborate service be provided. The Government should not be called upon to pay for more than an ordinary business man's lunch, and I am sure the Commissioners and officers look for no more.

Respectfully,

F. E. Feiley

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 20, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Metal Company, Limited, two lots of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint, - 500,118 ounces and 22,398 ounces.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 20, 1923.

THE SUPERINTENDENTS--COINAGE MINTS AND NEW YORK ASSAY OFFICE.

Sirs:

I am enclosing herewith printed circular covering personnel classification of the Field Service. You will note on the first page of the instruction sheet a list of employees to be reported and the exceptions to be made of certain employees in considering the reclassification.

In order that the Mint Service may be uniformly treated in the reclassification I have decided that it would be advisable to have a meeting at this office of the Superintendents of the coinage mints and the New York Assay Office, for the purpose of agreeing upon the class of people to be exempt from reclassification and the classes to be included. I think no uniform agreement can be reached by correspondence and the delay incident to the same. Therefore, I shall be obliged if you will examine the printed instructions together with the form to be filled out in accordance with such detailed instructions, and be prepared to come to Washington about May 10th.

Should occasion arise for changing the date of this meeting you will be advised. I would suggest that if you cannot come yourself you send a representative who is familiar with the personnel and the work of your institution. The traveling expenses connected with this meeting in Washington will have to be paid from your appropriation for contingent expenses. As soon as I hear from you in regard to the matter as to who shall represent your institution at this meeting the appropriate travel instructions will be sent to you.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 21, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of April 19 you are authorized to purchase from McArdle & Cooney various sizes of brass, black iron and galvanized iron pipe for use in your institution at a cost of $210.48, it being understood that this is the lower of two bids received.

Respectfully,

F. E. Feeley

Encs. bids.

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 21, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the St. Joseph Lead Company 38,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Worley

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 25, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith please find your stationery requisition stated to be for the period ending April 30, 1924. Requisitions for supplies should be rendered for semi-annual needs and not for a full year in advance.

Attention is invited to item on second page "Paper 8x10 Government Seal, 2 reams on hand, 12 reams desired." Presumably this item is for continuation sheets (see paragraph under the head of Instructions on last page of requisition form) which should not be placed on this form. Please discontinue use of the term "Government Seal" as indicating a grade of paper as it is liable to lead to confusion.

Please forward samples, as required by the regulations, of each kind of envelope desired, also of guide cards and index cards, also definitely state the color of guide cards desired. Unless information is available as to the number of "cuts" per card of guide and index cards it is impossible to furnish cards which will conform to your present stock.

It is noted that request is made for 10,000 linen lined envelopes O.M. 3½x6 while there is a stock of 5,000 on hand. Please advise for what purpose these envelopes are used and whether so many as 15,000 are needed for a year's supply. It is advantageous to the Government that all linen lined envelopes required by the service for a certain period, say six months or a year, be procured at the same time. None of the other offices have requested such envelopes and if you can get along without an additional order for some time to come it is preferred that this item be eliminated.

Respectfully,

F E Scott

Director of the Mint.

Enc.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 27, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of April 23 relative to Mr. Kaufman's suggestion to transfer a portion of the coin collection to the Valley Forge Museum, you are advised that the Department believes this plan would be inexpedient. Please assure Mr. Kaufman, however, that the Bureau appreciates his interest in the matter.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 27, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I beg to confirm telephone communication to you of April 25 advising you that you are authorized to proceed with the coinage of the Peruvian coins now on hand at the Mint, the request for this coinage having been covered by letter of the Secretary of State dated February 20, 1923, and letter of the Secretary of the Treasury dated February 23, 1923 to the Secretary of State. For your information I am enclosing copy of the letter of the Ambassador of Peru to the Secretary of State, dated February 12, 1923, in which it is requested that the Mint undertake the coinage of four million silver one "sol" pieces, and two million five centavo nickel pieces, besides the recoining of one "sol" pieces into silver currency of a lower denomination.

It will be seen from the above that the request for recoinage now under consideration is covered by the letter to the Secretary of State and from the Secretary of the Treasury of February 20 and February 23 respectively.

Respectfully,

F. E. Leeds

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 27, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the request contained in your letter of April 19 the Superintendent of the United States Assay Office at New York has been requested to suspend shipment of refined silver to your Mint until after settlement, and the Superintendent will comply with your request.

Respectfully,

F E Feeley

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 27, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad amount $15.76, covering transportation charges on 5,000 #2 coin bags from Philadelphia to Denver, February 24, 1923 has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

F E Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 30, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, Amount $.50, covering transportation charges on 1 box cast iron gas mixers from New York, March 22, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scott

Director of the Mint.

OR

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

April 30, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please advise this Bureau if it will be convenient for you to spare Mr. Coleman, Superintendent of the Melting and Refining Department, and your Mr. Kaufman for settlement work at the New York Assay Office beginning June 11. In addition I would like to have the services of Mr. Chaffin as Chairman of the San Francisco Settlement and Mr. Ott for the San Francisco Settlement.

I will appreciate an early reply in regard to your ability to accede to the request of the Bureau for the services of these men.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 1, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The meeting of Superintendents arranged for early in May has now been postponed until May 21, 1923.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

With reference to your recent requisition for forms I am enclosing herewith form #914 for which request was made for 1,000. In October last 800 copies of new form #829-B were forwarded to you; this new form being intended to replace form #914. Please advise whether additional copies of form #829-B are at this time needed.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Enc.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 1, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company 1,000,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Leslie

Director of the Mint.

SR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 1, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please forward to the Director, together with your bill for the same, five bronze medals of the President enclosed in cases.

Respectfully,

J. E. Serbey

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 2, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Herewith please find two copies of revised form #5693, Daily Statement of Assets and Liabilities, used in connection with daily reports to the Treasurer of the United States. When a supply of these revised forms is received they should be used in the same manner as the old issue of the form. The liability items of "Receipts undeposited in Treasury" and "Due bullion depositors", with their corresponding assets should be disregarded unless and until further advised concerning same. In other respects the revised form is practically the same as the old one and requires no further comment.

Respectfully,

F E Scobey

Director of the Mint.

Enc.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 2, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of May 1, you are authorized to accept from Guggenheim Brothers 40,000 pounds of Electrolytic copper at the rate of 16.96 per pound, it being understood that this is the lowest of three bids received as applied to the minimum of 40,000 pounds, and that 30,000 pounds of this copper will be applied to the Peruvian coinage for which payment has already been mailed to you, and that the balance of 10,000 pounds is purchased for your account.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 3, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of May 2 enclosing a letter from Mr. L. Berry with a request from Hon. A. Piatt Andrews for the admission of about sixty business men to the Mint, you are advised that no exception can be made by the Department for the opening of the Mints to visitors. It is the wish of the Department that this order be carried out uniformly, and I would suggest that all parties applying to you for admission, unless they have a letter from this Bureau or from the Secretary of the Treasury, be advised of our regret that we are unable to waive the regulations.

Respectfully,

F. E. Devine

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 3, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith I am returning two forms recently forwarded with your requisition for supplies. Form #82, Leave of Absence, has been abolished by a Secretary's order and may not be furnished. Form #2152, Individual Record of Absence, should be requisitioned for the year 1924 in October instead of at the present time.

Respectfully,

F. E. Leslie

Director of the Mint.

Enc.
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OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 3, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of April 30 requesting authority to purchase 4 Oriental Plane trees at a cost of $10.00 each to replace the trees on the pavement which have died, please advise the Bureau if these trees cannot be replaced by the city without expense to the Mint.

Respectfully,

F. A. Delano

Director of the Mint.

JR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 3, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of April 30 you are authorized to incur an expenditure of $680 from the balance left in the New Machinery and Appliances appropriation, for the purchase of a Westinghouse 50 H.P. aramture from the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, it being understood that their bid is $90.00 less than the one other bid received.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 3, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your telephone communication of May 1 and to your letter of April 25 relative to the nickel required for the Peruvian coinage, and to your suggestion that it might be possible to use some of the nickel now on hand for the Peruvian coinage at the market price of silver, I have to advise you that this adjustment of accounts would be inadvisable. We run the risk of being obliged to go into the market for nickel when the price of the same might be higher than the rate at which you are carrying this metal in your accounts at this time. Furthermore, to transfer all or a portion of the nickel you have on hand to the Peruvian Government for coinage would, I understand, cause the balance of the nickel remaining in your minor coinage fund to be carried at a relatively higher rate, although, of course, it is understood the total value would not be increased. Altogether it appears to me best that you do not confuse the accounts by attempting such an adjustment.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 3, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to the gold scrap intended to be forwarded to you in connection with reference from this Bureau of April 17, you are advised that this scrap was traced and has today been located. It is being forwarded to you today, registered mail.

In view of the delay already incurred in this matter will you kindly have a prompt examination made of the material and report directly to the owner -

Corporal Hilbert Sanders,
119th Company, C.A.C.,
Fort de Lesseps, Canal Zone.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 4, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

San Francisco reports quote Five obverse dies Monroe Doctrine Half Dollars broken out on margin Forward five more end quote Please comply

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 3, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 33.45 ounces of proof silver (shot form) forwarded by registered mail with your letter of May 1, 1923.

Respectfully,

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Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 5, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1923 has been approved in the following sums;

Salaries	$ 5,000.00
Wages of Workmen	42,000.00
Contingent Expenses	13,000.00
New Machinery and Appliances	500.00
Increase of Compensation	7,000.00
T o t a l	$67,500.00

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 5, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am returning herewith two sample strikes of the Monroe Doctrine Memorial half-dollar which were sent to Mr. James E. Fraser. Mr. Fraser brought these coins to Washington to show to members of the Fine Arts Commission and the Bureau volunteered to return them to you at his request. Please credit them to him.

I am glad to be able to tell you that Mr. Fraser has expressed cordial approval of the workmanship, dies and execution of the coin.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 5, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Supplemental regulations concerning the termination of purchases of silver under the Pittman Act, dated May 4, 1923, copies of which are being forwarded, entirely supersede Bureau letter of April 2, 1923.

First paragraph at top of page 2 of that letter stated that deliveries to the mints, upon accepted tenders, must be made on or before October 1, 1923; this date should have been October 1, 1924.

Request was made in last paragraph of above mentioned letter that monthly statement of quantities remaining undelivered on accepted Bureau purchases should be forwarded. Please forward such statement (on the basis of the accounts) as of March 31st and also forward a similar statement with monthly abstract of bullion purchases for the months of April and May; this is important and should not be overlooked as the information is needed in connection with determining the quantity of silver remaining purchasable.

Beginning June 1st, please report, by letter, to the Bureau at the close of business each day on which silver is received under paragraph 3 of supplemental regulations approved May 4, 1923, the quantity of silver so received, in order that it may reach the Bureau the next morning in time to be included with other purchases to be announced daily by the Director. Any silver purchased by the Bureau under paragraphs 2 or 4, for delivery at your institution, should not be reported to the Bureau on the day of delivery.

Respectfully,

F. E. Derby

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 7, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of May 3, you are authorized to sell to the Balbach Metals Corporation 67.578 fine ounces of gold and 5,629.25 ounces of fine silver obtained from Melting and Refining Department sweeps, at $4,078.02, it being understood that this is the highest of three bids received.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 10, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 8 you are authorized to purchase the following articles, charging the same to your contingent expense appropriation:

2 R. & M. 18" desk fans, from Walker & Kepler, at $21.38 each, it being understood that this is the lowest of three bids received.

50 dozen pairs chamois gloves, from the Littauer Glove Corporation, at $9.00 per dozen pairs, this being the lower of two bids received.

3000 lbs. pulverized pine charcoal, and 2000 lbs. of granulated pine charcoal, from John R. Rowand, the first at 5½¢ per pound and the second at 4¢ per pound. It is understood that this firm is the only one that has been able to supply your institution with satisfactory charcoal, and consequently no other bids were asked.

3 black diamond dressing tools, from A. Landau & Co., one at $110.00 and the other two at $28.00 each. It is understood that this firm is the only reliable one known to you dealing in the articles desired, and that for this reason no other bids were asked covering these tools.

Respectfully,

F. E. Leeson

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 10, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Denver and San Francisco.

Sir:

I am enclosing copy of Circular No. 3 from the Personnel Classification Board received at this Bureau this afternoon.

Please note particularly the requirements of paragraph 3 (a). I will be obliged if you will arrange to have the chart prepared immediately in order that you may bring the same with you to be used at the meeting of Superintendents which will take place on May 21.

Respectfully,

G E Roberts

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 10, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the Nichols Copper Company 50,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Bebee

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 11, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 9 you are authorized to accept the bid of the O. F. Zurn Company of $2.50 a barrel for used oil which is of no further service to you. It is understood that the oil is to be removed at their expense.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scott

Director of the Mint.

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May 11, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 9 you are authorized to purchase for the Peruvian coinage 6,000 pounds of screened shot nickel from the International Nickel Company at 27¢ a pound, it being understood this is the lower of two bids received. It is also understood that the representative of the Peruvian Government will make payment for this nickel.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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May 11, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United Metals Selling Company 2,500,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Feeley

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 11, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 9 you are authorized to dispose of a lot of scrap iron and steel, and a lot of old leather belting to R. E. Cliggett's Sons at the rate of 62½ ¢ a hundred pounds on the iron and steel, and $5.00 for the lot of belting, it being understood that there were no other bids on the belting, but that the above bid on the iron and steel is the highest of three received.

You are also authorized to sell to the Scovill Mfg. Co. 200 empty casks at 30¢ apiece, it being understood that this is the higher of two bids received covering these casks.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

OR

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May 11, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United States Smelting, Refining & Mining Company 640,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Baldwin

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company two offers of silver accepted today, one of 900,000 ounces on account of Phelps Dodge & Co., and one in their own name of 600,000.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company 900,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Feiker

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please Accept from Ricketts & Company 6,665 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 17, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith transportation orders for Mr. Jewry Kaufman, Philadelphia to New York and return.

Respectfully,

F. E. Leslie

Director of the Mint.

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May 18, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The large vendors of silver under the Pittman Act have been requested to in future keep deliveries of miner's affidavits current in quantity with deliveries of silver. It is requested that you cooperate with the Bureau in this matter. It is presumed that there will be no difficulty on this score but, if necessary, after reasonable time for compliance with request for affidavits has been given, you are authorized to with-hold payments on current deliveries until miner's affidavits have been received in quantity supporting prior deliveries.

Deliveries from the smaller vendors should as heretofore be always accompanied by the supporting affidavits.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

P.S.: The calendar day, for receipt of bullion deposits under the terms of the Pittman Act and regulations, will be considered the regular Treasury business day ending at 4:30 p.m.

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May 18, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Metal Company, Ltd., 20,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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May 18, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from Nichols Copper Company 154,000 ounces of fine silver purchased today for delivery to your Mint subject to the regulations under the Pittman Act.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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May 22, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The sum of $14,983.78 has been deposited to the credit of your 1923 Wages of Workmen appropriation by C/D #99993, dated May 12, 1923, being reimbursement on account of standard silver dollars coined under the terms of the Pittman Act, during April, 1923.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

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Director of the Mint.

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May 22, 1925.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United States Smelting Refining and Mining Company 497,695 ounces of silver purchased today subject to the regulations under the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Leeds

Director of the Mint.

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May 22, 1923.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company 356,000 ounces of silver purchased this day for delivery to your Mint under the terms of the Pittman Act and subject to required regulations.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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May 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company 835,000 ounces silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 23, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

With reference to Bureau letter of the 22nd inst. concerning deposit of $14,983.78 to the credit of your Wages appropriation on account reimbursement for recoinage standard silver dollars, please be advised that this amount should not enter into your account current, as the deposit was made without personal credit.

Respectfully,

s Director of the Mint.

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May 24, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.

Sir:

Beginning May 25th please report, by letter, to the Bureau at the close of business each day on which silver is received under paragraph 3 of supplemental regulations approved May 4, 1923, the quantity of Pittman silver so received, also report on May 25th the entire quantity of such silver purchased from the close of purchases appearing on your bullion abstracts for the month of April to include May 24th.

As stated in Bureau letter of May 5th, deliveries of silver other than as above should be excluded from these reports.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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May 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company 118,000 ounces silver purchased today subject to the regulations under the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully.

F E Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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May 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please forward to the Bureau the service record of Thomas Charlton. This has been requested by the Retirement Board and the matter is being held up pending receipt of it.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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May 24, 1923.

Hon. Freas Styer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Styer:

This will introduce Mr. W. E. Reid, a certified accountant of the firm of R. W. Lafrentz & Co., 100 Broadway, New York, who is to make an audit with regard to the purchase of silver by the Mint since the passage of the Pittman Act; and the coinage of subsidiary coins at the various mints during that time. Mr. Reid has been appointed by the Commission of Gold and Silver Inquiry to undertake this work.

Will you please place at Mr. Reid's disposal the necessary facilities for accomplishing his mission at your Mint.

Respectfully,

F E Leeby

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 25, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Forward San Francisco Mint five pair Monroe half dollar coinage dies

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
2—5736 DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2136.

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May 25, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Smelting and Refining Company 138,000 ounces of silver purchased today subject to the provisions under the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Baker

Director of the Mint.

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May 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Metal Company, Limited, 29,000 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act, on account for the United Verde Copper Company, for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Bosley

Director of the Mint.

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May 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Accept from the American Metal Company, Limited for the account of the United Verde Copper Company 771,655 ounces of silver purchased today subject to the regulations under the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the United Metals Selling Company 1,000,000 ounces silver purchased today subject to the regulations under the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the following firms the amounts of silver indicated, purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint:

	Ounces
U.S. Smelting Refining & Mining Co.	108,036
American Metal Company, on account for United Verde Copper Company	29,307
American Metal Company, on account for United Verde Copper Company	29,787

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

OR

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May 28, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the American Metal Company, Limited, 48,063 ounces of silver on account for the United Verde Copper Company, purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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May 29, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am forwarding today by express 19.35 ounces of gold coin scrap, value $360.00, together with 189.062 ounces of silver coin scrap (S.S. Dollars) valued at $220.00.

The following accounts should be credited to San Francisco, Denver and Philadelphia respectively, being the value of metal resulting from special assay coins forwarded to the Bureau up to and including March, 1923.

San Francisco

Standard Silver Dollar Coinage Metal	$78.00

Denver

Standard Silver Dollar Coinage Metal	64.00

Philadelphia

Gold Coin, Double Eagles	360.00
Standard Silver Dollar Coinage Metal	78.00

Please proceed to make these entries without formal transfer and notify San Francisco and Denver when the transfers have been made.

Respectfully,

F E Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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May 29, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please refer to Bureau letter of May 26 in which we authorized the acceptance of 29,000 ounces of silver from the American Metal Company. This tender has been found to be a duplication and our acceptance of this amount from the American Metal Company has been cancelled.

Respectfully,

F E Leeby

Director of the Mint.

OR

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May 30, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please be advised that the Director of the National Museum has notified this Bureau that the packages containing coins, tokens and medals have been safely delivered to the Museum. I wish to express my appreciation of your care and prudence in handling the transfer of this collection to the Museum.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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May 30, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

After May 29, 1923 pay for all silver received except on Bureau purchases at the rate being paid for non-Pittman Act silver. Tenders to you of dore silver for local purchases at Pittman Act price should be recorded in order of receipt to the close of business June 15, 1923, and each day's total wired to this office,;such tenders to be later accepted by this Bureau and reliquidated by you at Pittman Act price in the order of their receipt up to such quantity of silver as remains purchasable under the Act. The quantity remaining purchasable at the close of business May 29, 1923 was about 1,350,000 ounces.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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May 30, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the Bonanza Milling Company, Tombstone, Arizona, a package being forwarded to your Mint, which was erroneously sent to the Bureau, which is said to contain 739 ounces of silver. The silver has been accepted by this Bureau under the terms of the Pittman Act and the Bonanza Milling Company has been advised that the package has been forwarded to your Mint.

Respectfully,

E. O. Bekins

Director of the Mint.

OR

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May 29, 1925.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the following firms the amounts of silver indicated, purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint:

United Metals Selling Company	480,000 ounces
American Metal Company	20,810 "

Respectfully,

F. E. Baby

Director of the Mint.

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May 29, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the Nichols Copper Company 13,877 ounces of silver purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act for delivery to your Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Baker

Director of the Mint.

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May 31, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

We are forwarding to you today by express collect the silver received at this office from the Bonanza Milling Company, which we had previously advised you we were forwarding by mail. The material, however, was not acceptable to be franked. This deposit is being shipped to you with the understanding that the express charges will be deducted from the value of the shipment.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 1, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, Carson City, Nevada.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Boise, Idaho.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Deadwood, S. Dak.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Helena, Mont.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Sir:

Herewith find for your guidance, in accordance with direction of the Under Secretary of the Treasury, copy of General Accounting Office Bulletin No. 3, prescribing a procedure for safeguarding undelivered checks. Please be guided by same, forwarding the checks in question direct to the General Accounting Office, Check Accounting Division, Liability Section, Washington, D. C.

Respectfully,

E. E. Sterling

Director of the Mint.

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June 1, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing letter from the State Department transmitting a copy of a note from the Chinese Minister, together with photorgaphic reporduction of a new design of coin for the Chinese Government. Will you please forward to the Bureau the information necessary to make reply to this letter. Please return the letter of the State Department; do not attach endorsement upon the same. The Bureau will appreciate it if you will make prompt reply to this request as the letter has been delayed unnecessarily in this Bureau

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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June 2, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendations contained in your letter of June 1, 1923, you are authorized to purchase the following articles from the firms named:

Jos. Dixon Crucible Company

150	#70 special crucibles	@ $9.50 each	less 1%
50	#50 crucibles	@ 5.00 "	" 1%

Ross-Tacony Crucible Company

50	#70 special crucibles	@ $9.50 each	less 1%
50	#50 crucibles	@ 5.00 "	" 1%
25	#35 "	@ 3.50 "	" 1%
150	#3 dipping cups	@ .50 "	

R. B. Seidel, Ind.

50	#50 crucibles	@ 5.00 each	less 1%
25	#35 "	@ 3.50 "	" 1%
100	#1 dipping cups	@ .30 "	
150	#3 " "	@ .50 "	

It is understood that the bids received on the crucibles were all the same, and that R. B. Seidel, Inc. was one of the lower bidders on the #1 dipping cups. The #3 dipping cups are purchased from the firms indicated above for the reason mentioned in your letter.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 2, 1923.

Mr. F. H. Chaffin, Assistant Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Annual Settlement of the United States Mint at San Francisco is to begin on Monday, June 11, 1923. You have been designated to act as Chairman of the Committee.

The basis of settlement will be a statement on Form 976 to be furnished by the Superintendent, certified as to its correctness by the bookkeeper, of the balances of gold and silver bullion, coin, and other moneys on hand per the books of account, as of the close of business June 30, 1923, and before making entry therein of gains and losses. Gains or losses will be determined by the relation of this statement to the inventory of bullion and moneys found by the committee to be actually present.

As early as practicable in the settlement you should make arrangements with the Superintendent regarding date for closing deposit receipts for the settlement period and discontinuing payments for deposits, in order to permit definite determination, as of close of settlement, between bullion forming part of the balance as shown by the bookkeeper's records, and that on memorandum for subsequent entry by the bookkeeper.

All the bullion will be weighed and computed and all of the coin and other moneys on hand will be weighed or counted by you to ascertain if the amounts called for by the books are on hand, but it will not be necessary to open the vaults containing coin or bullion now under joint seal of the Superintendent and the representatives of this Bureau. You will accept as correct the values shown by the certificate attached to such joint-sealed vaults if careful examination shows that the seals in question, with their wrappings have not been distrubed. If the Superintendent desires that any coin or bullion verified by the settlement committee be placed under joint seal you will represent this office in such action. In verifying circulated coin it should not be necessary to open every bag and count its contents; a test bag taken from time to time and counted, in connection with weighing each bag for agreement with the weight shown by its tag, if such weight reasonably approximates the legal weight of its stated

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contents, should give satisfactory results. Paper currency should be counted piece by piece.

In weighing the bullion delivered in settlement you will carefully note the character and quality of the same; whenever necessary you will take samples for check assay, but it should be noted that chip and drill samples of brittle bullion, so-called "white gold", or bullion over 50 in base metals are liable to give assays differing from the reported fineness.

You are authorized to call upon the Treasurer of the United States for the balances in the checking accounts of the Superintendent. In order to get the information needed, request should be made in time for preparation of depository statements and for mail to reach you from Washington by the time the information is required for use, and your message should ask for the mailing of statements of checks paid and balances for all disbursing accounts of the Superintendent to the latest practicable date in order to surely reach you by the date required.

You are directed to make inquiry into the possible sources of gain and loss of bullion in the different divisions of the institution, from the amount charged thereto per the bookkeeper's and other records; stating so far as practicable, the results of mass melting; the quantity of silver not paid for in gold deposits containing less than 8 thousandths of silver, and the results from all other sources of gain and loss that may come to your notice. Please reconcile these figures, giving estimates where necessary, with the net gains and losses for the year, and indicate whether such differences reasonably reflect normal expectations for the quantity of metal operated upon.

As required during the course of the settlement you will obtain from the officers concerned schedules of the material in their possession, for use in checking the material as delivered and for filing with your report. The detail sheets should bear the Assayer's "OK" as to fineness, and should be so labeled, arranged and recapitulated as to permit ready identification, by reference to the supporting sheets, of items in your report.

Before closing the settlement, you will obtain from each officer a certificate of delivery of material on Form 986. You will also obtain from each officer in possession of coin, or gold or silver bullion, not charged to him in the accounts, statement as to source, quantity on hand (which will be verified), and purpose of holding same.

Minor coinage metal, including ingots and clippings, will not be weighed by the Committee, but will be accepted at the quantities certified to by the bookkeeper if inspection by the Committee gives reasonable assurance that the quantity so certified is on hand, and if the records of

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quantity operated upon reasonably support the wastage claimed; provided that if the quantity of such metal in process of manufacture has not been determined, by actual weighing, by the Mint officers, the settlement committee shall make such determination.

The report of the Committee should show: The quantities of the different kinds of metal delivered to the Committee from the melting and refining Department and from the coining department, the amounts with which charged per bookkeeper's certificate on Form 976, and the differences, whether gain or loss the amounts delivered from other divisions of the institution and whether or not they agree with the bookkeeper's certificate; whether the deposits received after closing date of the settlement period and not recorded by the bookkeeper check with the receipt records; the amounts placed under joint seal; results of the inquiry into the sources of gain and loss with reasons, so far as obtainable. for any apparently excessive loss, and other matters of consequence coming to the attention of the committee.

You will accept and forward with your report a certified inventory of the stores and other property under the control of the Superintendent; this inventory will not be completely checked but a general survey of the material will be made.

Respectfully,

N. W. Kelly

Director of the Mint.

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June 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please forward to Honorable A. W. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, 6 silver medals and 12 bronze medals of himself, together with cases for the same as those previously furnished with the Secretary's medal. The package should be sent direct to the Secretary of the Treasury, Treasury Department.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with directions of the Treasury Budget Officer, based on the apportionment Act of February 27, 1906, this office has apportioned the appropriations of your institution for the fiscal year 1924, by quarters, as follows:

	Salaries	Wages of Workmen	Contingent
Amount appropriated:	$66,600.00	$300,000.00	$120,000.00
Less-Deduction for retirement	1,275.00	7,500.00	
-Amt.transfd.to Divn.Statry.			700.00
Amount available - - - - - - - -	$65,325.00	$292,500.00	$119,300.00
1st Quarter	15,707.00	75,000.00	35,000.00
2d "	15,706.00	75,000.00	33,000.00
3d "	15,706.00	71,500.00	25,000.00
4th "	15,706.00	71,000.00	26,300.00
Reserve	2,500.00		

In some cases the apportionments for the earlier quarters were made larger in order to permit the making of large or special purchases if considered wise, or for meeting special conditions as regards personal services. If such amounts should not be obligated during the quarters for which apportioned it is understood that they will be available for subsequent use. The amounts apportioned are not; that is, if reimbursements are received for supplies furnished or for work performed the amounts received may be considered as added to the apportionments of the quarters in which amounts are received.

It is directed that no obligation be incurred against any appropriation during any quarter which would encroach upon apportionments of subsequent quarters or overobligate the appropriation total, also that no obligation be created against the amount shown as a reserve, without previous authority, requested and obtained through this office. Should conditions develop which would warrant the use of a part or all of the reserve, or an amendment to the apportionment, please make recommendation to this office with full explanation of the reasons therefor, in order that the Bureau may be in position to take the matter up with the Budget Officer.

Beginning with July this office will be required to make reports, shortly after the close of each month, to the Budget Officer, stating the amount of encumbrances created during the previous month, also the amount of encumbrances

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liquidated during the month, for each appropriation. It will therefore be necessary that you forward at the earliest practicable date after the close of each month your schedule of encumbrances, and schedule of pay-rolls and vouchers paid. Please take steps to insure that the prompt sending of these reports is not overlooked.

The plans of the Budget office contemplate that the monthly reports will be so prepared that eventually each quarter's encumbrances will be separately balanced by the payments pertaining thereto. In order that this may be done with the least amount of work it is suggested that on Register of Vouchers, form 993, there be indicated opposite each paid voucher the quarter (say P4; 1; 2; 3; 4; see form below) in which the encumbrance was created, and that at the end of each month the items (payments, and adjustments) pertaining to each quarter be taken off on an adding machine and reported to the Bureau as a recapitulation, on a separate sheet accompanying the schedule of vouchers paid, e.g.:

Encumbrances Liquidated in _____ 192 .

Appropriations, and Periods in which encumbrances created:	Payments	Adjustments	
		Add	Deduct
Contingent Expenses			
Prior year 4th Quarter - - - - - - - - - - - - - -			
1st Quarter -			
2d " -			
3d " -			
4th " -			
Totals			
Wages of Workmen			
Prior year 4th Quarter - - - - - - - - - - - - - -			
1st Quarter -			
etc.			

Responsibility for this eventual balancing of each quarter's encumbrances will necessarily rest with you. Possibly supplemental debit and credit accounts, posted monthly, with each quarter's encumbrances may prove helpful.

Beginning July 1, 1923, you will set up encumbrances against your appropriations (except Salaries and Wages of Workmen) at the time obligations are created, for all liabilities payable from such appropriations, including estimated cost of articles ordered from one of our own mints or assay offices, as well as estimated cost of transportation of passengers, freight, or express. Encumbrances which are liquidated after action by the General Accounting Office will be liquidated in your records upon receipt of notice that settlement has been made by the General Accounting Office. Amounts so liquidated should be individually scheduled to accompany monthly report of encumbrances liquidated, the adjustments thereon to be combined with other reported adjustments but the amounts paid claimants to not be included with the amounts paid by you.

The General rule as to "who pays the freight" is that the recipient of

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the shipped articles (who usually is the beneficiary of the shipment) pays, and is therefore the one to set up encumbrance. The Philadelphia Mint pays for the transportation of coin bags delivered under its annual contract. Transportation of Accounts sent the Bureau, plaster casts of designs, etc., transmitted to and from the Bureau, etc., will be payable by the Philadelphia contingent appropriation.

When special shipments of bullion or coin, between mints and assay offices, are made by express, copies of the bills of lading should be promptly forwarded to the Bureau in order that encumbrances may be there set up against the appropriation chargeable.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 5th, you are authorized to purchase various valves and other pipe fittings at a cost of $110.56 from the Crane Company, it being understood that their bid was the lowest submitted.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please have your Assayer make careful umpire assays of the gold content of the samples of dore bullion which are enclosed herewith.

Following are the bar numbers, fineness, and weight of samples:

Drill Samples Mill Bar No.	Gold 1000ths Fine	Silver 1000 ths Fine	Weight Sample Ounces
83 *	10.84	961	.15
84	10.92	963	.15
85	10.28	966	.12
92	10.64	963.6	.12
93	10.72	963.6	.12
94	10.72	963.5	.12
95	10.72	963.6	.12
96	10.76	962.7	.12
97	10.72	962.2	.12
98	10.84	962.2	.12
99	10.28	965	.12
100	10.60	962.2	.12
101	10.64	961.7	.12
102	10.72	961.7	.12
103	10.52	963.6	.12
104	10.80	963	.12
105	10.52	963	.12
106	10.60	963.6	.12

* No information as to proofs or method used.

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Mint Bar No.	Fineness Silver	Fineness Gold	Weight Sample Ounces
7409	961.3	10.6	0.10
7410	963.2	10.6	.10
7411	966.3	10.2	.10
7412	963.2	10.2	.10
7413	965.5	10.2	.085
7414	965.5	10.2	.075
7415	965.5	10.1	.10
7416	965.1	10.1	.075
7417	963.5	10.2	.055
7418	963.6	10.2	.10
7419	963.6	10.1	.10
7420	963.5	10.1	.10
7421	963.6	10.4	.10
7422	962.7	10.4	.10
7423	962.2	10.4	.10
7424	962.2	10.7	.10
7425	965.1	10.0	.10
7426	962.2	10.2	.10
7427	961.7	10.5	.10
7428	961.7	10.6	.10
7429	963.6	10.6	.10
7430	963.5	10.5	.10
7431	963.0	10.5	.10
7432	963.6	10.5	.10

Bars 7409 to 7432 were Synthetics 400 gold added.
Bars 7409 to 7432 Proofs 400 gold.

The gross weight of the samples is 4.51 ounces.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to letter of this Bureau dated May 16th, advising you of the purchase of 600,000 ounces Pittman silver, purchased on that date from the American Smelting & Refining Company for delivery to your mint, please be advised that upon request of the American Smelting & Refining Company the delivery of this metal is to be made to the San Francisco Mint instead of to your mint. Kindly correct your records accordingly.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 7, 1913.

Superintendent,
U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.
Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing for your information and guidance a copy of a letter mailed by this office to-day to the St. Joseph Lead Company at Bonneterre, Missouri, in reference to Pittman silver tenders.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of Mint.

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June 7, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is enclosed herewith copy of circular letter covering allotments under the Increase of Compensation appropriation for the fiscal year 1924. The total amount alloted for the use of your office is indicated on page two of the letter. The amounts as apportioned for each of the 12 months of the fiscal year 1924 are also indicated, and requisitions for advances should be kept within the amounts stated.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Actg Director of the Mint.

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June 8, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone request of to-day asking you to prepare to coin dimes for the balance of the fiscal year, or as far into the period of settlement as practicable. The Superintendent of the Assay Office at New York has been instructed to ship to you subsidiary silver coin he has on hand at New York. This transfer will be effected at once.

Respectfully,

F. H. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 11, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the St. Louis Smelting and Refining Works 18,000 ounces of silver purchased under the terms of the Pittman Act under date of May 29, 1923. This tender was originally accepted for delivery to the Mint at San Francisco, but the above firm has since been authorized by this office to make delivery to your institution.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 11, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith find bill covering insurance on two shipments of minor coin to the Federal Reserve Bank, Boston, Mass., payable from minor coinage profits. When making payment, separate check should be issued to each insurance company named for the amount indicated opposite.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 12, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The sum of $7,500 has been deposited to the credit of your Wages of Workmen appropriation by C/D #1244, dated June 4, 1923, being reimbursement on account of standard silver dollars coined under the terms of the Pittman Act, during May, 1923. This amount should not enter into your account current, it having been deposited without personal credit.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 12, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In examining your accounts for the quarter ended March 31, 1923, the following has been noted;

January voucher #370 is herewith returned for signature of certifying officer.

Please forward schedule of water rates to support charges made on February voucher #474, favor of Receiver of Taxes, Bureau of Water.

Payroll, January 1st to 15th, Wm. J. Kennedy, Temporary Special Guard @ $1200 per annum. Employee took oath Jan. 2nd and is paid for full period - 15 days; should have been paid for 14 days. An apparent overpayment of 1 day, $3.33.

Same roll, Ignatius J. Feucht, Temporary helper @ $4.50 per day is paid for 9 days while roll shows resignation as of Jan. 10th with 4 days without pay; an apparent overpayment for 4 days, $18.00.

Payroll, January 16th to 31st, Thomas Golden and William White, Firemen @ $4.00 per day, were paid increased compensation from Dec. 16, 1922 to January 15, 1923 (26 days) as back pay. Roll for period Jan. 1st to 15th shows payment of increased compensation for that period. Back pay should have been for only 1 pay period,- Dec. 16th to 31st. Overpayment of $9.96 should be collected from each of these employees, they having been paid the increased compensation twice for the one period.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

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June 12, 1925.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of June 9, you are authorized to purchase one Standard model MM-6 coin counting machine, at a cost of $650.00 f.o.b. Mint, to be paid for out of the appropriation "New Machinery and Appliances". It is understood that this machine with one other has been on trial at your mint for several weeks, and that its work has been more satisfactory than the other machine which was priced at $600.00 less 5% f.o.b. factory. It is also understood that the "Standard" machine is the same make as others now in use at the Mint, and that you consider it more economical to have all machines of the same make.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 12, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1923 has been approved in the following sums;

Salaries	$ 4,500.00
Wages of Workmen	16,000.00
Contingent Expenses	10,000.00
Increase of Compensation	6,500.00
T o t a l	$37,000.00

Advance of only $16,000 under your Wages appropriation is made, as that amount is all that is available at present; however, requisition for another advance from this fund will be made later in the month.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Neill

S. Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 13, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to telephone communication of yesterday in which you stated that the St. Joseph Lead Company has delivered approximately 18,800 ounces of silver and that payment will be made for the 18,000 ounces and the 800 ounces held in suspense, please be advised of the following:

The Bureau accepted from the St. Joseph Lead Company on April 21, 35,000 ounces for delivery to your Mint. On May 29 the Bureau accepted 18,000 ounces for delivery to your Mint. It is now understood by the Bureau that of the 35,000 ounces approximately 25,000 ounces have been delivered, and that the 18,800 plus delivered to you yesterday is to be applied on the balance of 10,000 ounces due on the 35,000 ounces accepted April 21, and the balance on the 18,000 ounces accepted May 29.

There is enclosed a copy of telegram sent this day to the St. Joseph Lead Company which is self-explanatory.

It is now understood that you now hold no material in suspense which has been received from the St. Joseph Lead Company.

I am returning the affidavit enclosed in your letter.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 13, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following bills for transportation have been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation;

Southern Pacific Company.

5000 #1 coin bags to San Francisco, Feb. 26, 1923	$35.85
5000 #1 coin bags to San Francisco, Feb. 6, 1923	36.43

American Railway Express Company.

1 plaster cast to Washington, April 3, 1923	.53
1 pkg. affidavits to Washington, April 4, 1923	.47

Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

4 boxes small arms ammunition from Nixon, N.J., Feb. 10, 1923	.88

Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy R. R. Co.

5000 #2 coin bags to Denver, April 11, 1923.	16.40

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 14, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to our letter of May 18 advising you that the Bureau had accepted 164,600 ounces of silver from the Nichols Copper Company, please be advised that the Nichols Copper Company now informs the Bureau that the amount should be 114,600 ounces. Please correct your records accordingly.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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June 14, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pullman Company has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation for accommodations as follows;

F. H. Chaffin, lower berth, Wash. to Phila., 5/22/23	$3.50
Freas Styer, seat, Wash. to Phila., 5/22/23	1.13
	$4.63

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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June 14, 1923.

Superintendent,
U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The United Metals Selling Company report balance of undelivered silver tenders as of May 31st as 9,763,213.30. This includes an unaccepted tender of 240,000 ozs. which should be deducted, leaving 9,523,213.30 ozs. which compares with your figures reported to the Bureau of 9,648,380.58, a difference of 125,167.28. Quoting from the company's letter "you will notice that there is a difference as of May 31st, of 47,742.95 ounces. This is due in part to final receipt from the mint of fineness assay for silver delivered during May, 1923, partly to ****". The remainder of the letter pertains to data not reflected in your record. The Bureau's request is that you let it have, by return mail, any information from your records which may tend to explain the approximate 77,400 oz. difference between 125,167.28 and 47,742.95 above mentioned.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 15, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation for transportation furnished as follows;

Freas Styer, Philadelphia to Washington, 5/20/23	$4.90
W. H. Chaffin, Philadelphia to Washington, 5/20/23	4.90

Respectfully,

F. E. Zobey

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Director of the Mint.

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June 15, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., amount $1.16, covering transportation charges on 10 boxes white floating soap from Washington, Feb. 23, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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June 15, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Some officials of the Bureau of Standards desire to present to Dr. Stratton, former Director of that Bureau, a medal as an expression of personal regard for him. This Bureau would like to cooperate with the Bureau of Standards in procuring an appropriate design for the medal.

Will you please forward to this Bureau embossed paper copies of any stock dies you have on hand which might be used for the purpose. It would be appreciated if you would send us copies of as many dies or portions of them as could be used for this purpose, keeping in mind that a field surface would necessarily be required for an inscription to be devised by Bureau of Standard officials.

If practicable will you kindly give an estimate of the cost of making such medals in gold. It would of course be understood than any amount stated would be merely an estimate.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 15, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

This letter will introduce Mr. F. H. Cole of the National Museum who has been sent to inspect the cases which it is proposed to forward to the Museum for the coin collection. Will you please allow Mr. Cole to confer with you regarding the best means of handling the cases, and also if possible, put him in communication with firms in Philadelphia who would be willing to bid on the work to be done. It is desired by the National Museum that competitive bids be obtained on this work.

It is, of course, understood by you that the cost of taking the cases apart, packing, and shipping the same will be born by the National Museum and not the Mint.

Respectfully,

F. E. Zobey

Director of the Mint.

OR

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June 19, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to our communication of June 14, 1923, in which you were advised that the Nichols Copper Company had adjusted their offer from 164,600 ounces of silver to 114,600 ounces, please be advised that they now desire to have this tender cover 146,000 ounces.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 19, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of $16,000 from your 1923 Wages appropriation has been approved.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 19, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of June 9 you are hereby authorized to accept the proposal of Chalfant & Scott to supply the Mint with bituminous coal during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1923 at $7.68 per gross ton. It is understood that the contract of Chalfant & Scott will be accompanied by a bond and that the contract and bond will be forwarded to this Department for approval.

Respectfully,

A A O'Neil

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 19, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please accept from the following-named firms the amounts of silver indicated, purchased today under the terms of the Pittman Act and subject to the regulations for delivery to your Mint:

American Metal Company, Ltd.	94,200	ounces
American Smelting and Refining Co.	4,830	"
St. Louis Smelting and Refining Works	32,000	"
United Metals Selling Co.	307,257	"
U.S. Smelting Refining & Mining Co.	94,021	"
	532,308	

In connection with the offer of the United States Smelting Refining and Mining Company of 94,021 ounces please see copy of letter addressed to this firm which has been referred to you today.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reill

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 19, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am forwarding herewith by registered mail a dime from delivery No. 122 which the Assistant to the Assayer of the Bureau states is too heavy. Will you please have it weighed by your office and with the return of the dime report upon the same. If it is found to be of excess weight please see that the entire delivery is reweighed.

Respectfully,

W. M. McPhail

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 20, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your letter of June 12, 1923, relative to obtaining canvas from the Quartermasters Department was referred to the Quartermaster General of the Army. Today Mr. Casey of this Bureau called at the Quartermasters Department and was informed that on June 19 the officer in charge of the Philadelphia Depot had been authorized to release to you the canvas at 38 cents per yard, less 15%, and was further informed that the War Department was without authority to quote a lower figure on this material. It is understood that the price of 17 cents quoted the Post Office Department is the result of a special agreement entered into between that Department and the War Department, with the approval of the Chief Coordinator, and that this price formed the basis of Post Office appropriations covering such material, in consequence of which the Quartermaster General must ask the value price for such canvas when released to other Departments of the Government.

Respectfully,

M McReelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 21, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of June 18, 1923, you are hereby authorized to purchase from the East End Waste Company 2,000 pounds of white rags at 11 cents per pound, it being understood that this is the lowest of three bids received.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 22, 1923.

All Mint Service Institutions.

Sir:

Will you please forward to the Bureau at once an estimate of the amount of coal you will require at your institution for the fiscal year 1924, also the tonnage of both anthracite and bituminous coal purchased during the current fiscal year, exclusive of coal purchased through Government Fuel Yards. This information is desired by the Federal Fuel Distributor.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Superintendent, United States, Mint, Philadelphia.
" " " " Denver.
" " " " San Francisco
" " " Assay Office, New York.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith list of specifications which have been officially adopted for mandatory use on certain articles listed in attached mimeographed letter, as far as applicable to the various Departments and Independent Establishments of the Government.

In case you desire specifications forwarded please notify the Bureau.

Respectfully,

M B O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The enclosed telegram received today from the Mint at San Francisco is self-explanatory. Will you please advise the Bureau the cost of supplying the machines desired by San Francisco. You will realize the importance of an early reply to this inquiry in order that a decision may be reached as to whether the order will be placed with you.

Respectfully,

M. Thorkelson

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 22 you are hereby authorized to purchase two soapstone tanks for $106 from the Alberene Stone Company, it being understood that this is the lower of two bids received.

You are also authorized to purchase 100 stirrers, black lead for gold, from Ross-Tacony Company at $1.25 each, it being understood that this is the lowest of four bids received.

Respectfully,

W. B. Parsley

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 25, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your bill against the Coast Guard, amount $220.35, covering cost of 30 Life-Saving medals furnished has been settled by Certificate of Settlement #50912, dated March 15, 1923, the amount to be credited to your 1923 appropriations as follows;

Wages of Workmen	$106.08
Contingent Expenses	114.27
	$220.35

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 25, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

On June 2, 1923, this office accepted from the American Smelting and Refining Company 631,000 ounces of Pittman silver for delivery to the Mint at San Francisco. The American Smelting and Refining Company has now requested that this shipment be forwarded to your Mint. Of this amount 200,000 ounces will be delivered to the Mint at Denver, and the balance of 431,000 ounces will be sent to your Mint.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 25, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please return to this Bureau letter addressed to you under date of June 19 in reply to your letter of June 9, 1923, authorizing you to accept the proposal of Chalfant & Scott to supply your Mint with coal. It is desired to withdraw this proposed approval.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

B.R.

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June 25, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your letter of June 4th is herewith returned with settlement numbers and dates indicated opposite bills to which they pertain. This office has no record of the third item in your letter, bill against the War Department, dated Nov. 19, 1919, amount $327.52.

Respectfully,

E. E. Forbes

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 25, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of June 20 in which you recommend that roof ventilators be placed in the room of the furnace builders located in the top floor of the Mint I should like to suggest for your consideration a general survey of the Mint building with a view to utilizing the space vacated recently by the removal of the medal collection and general adjustments of space which will result from the use of this room for some activity of the Mint Service.

I hope to be able to visit the Mint within two or three weeks when I can go over this matter with you and the officers of your Mint whom you see fit to consult in regard to the matter. This letter is being written that you may have this matter in mind with a view to making such changes preliminary to the starting of coinage if practicable.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 25, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing two sketches, obverse and reverse, of proposed medal for Dr. Stratton, and pencil rubbing and lettering suggested by the people in charge of this undertaking at the Bureau of Standards.

Will you please advise this Bureau of the cost of making this medal in gold, the cost of reproducing copies of it in bronze, and the cost of reproducing about 100 impressions on white cardboard, the same as the samples returned, it being understood that in the case of the gold medal the engraving would be extra, and that should bronze medals be made each one would be individually engraved as distributed. The Committee in Charge would also like to have an estimate of the cost of the case for the gold medal.

I am asked to express the appreciation of the Committee at the Bureau of Standards for your efforts in finding the stock dies so satisfactory to the Committee for this purpose.

Of course it is understood that the manufacture of the gold medal will not be undertaken until we are advised by the Bureau of Standards' Committee that the price and details are satisfactory.

Will it be possible to send an impression on cardboard with the inscription sketched before the manufacture of the medal is undertaken?

Respectfully,

F. E. Scott

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Mr. W. deC. Ravenel, Administrative Assistant to the Secretary in Charge, National Museum, is to send to Philadelphia two employees of the Museum to take apart and pack and prepare for shipment the cases to be used for the medal collection transferred to the National Museum. When these men reach the Mint will you please place at their disposal every facility to accomplish the work they are sent there to do. I should like to have you provide them with whatever assistance in the form of labor you can spare in order that the cases may be removed without unnecessary delay and incident expense. Please assign some of your capable men to assist the National Museum employees in this work.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 26, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., amount $1.24, covering transportation charges on 10 boxes Pearl soap from Washington, May 31, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

E. E. Lesley

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 27, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of June 9, 1923, and to your telephone communication in regard to the contract for coal, I would suggest that you allow the lowest bidder, Chalfant & Sebott to deliver to the Mint a carload of the grade of coal that firm proposes to furnish to the Mint for test and trial before entering into contract for the supply. After this coal has been given proper trial I should be glad to have your report upon the same and will consider further the matter of the contract for the year.

Respectfully,

F. E. Leslie

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 26, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, covering the following transportation furnished, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation;

Freas Styer, Washington to Philadelphia, May 22, 1923		$4.90
F. H. Chaffin, do	do , May 22, 1923	4.90

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 28, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia.
" " " " Denver.
" " " " San Francisco.
" " " Assay Office, New York.

Sir:

The Budget Officer of the Department has called for preliminary estimates of the appropriations needed for the fiscal year 1925, beginning July 1, 1924.

They should be prepared on the basis of non-use of any funds other than the regular salaries, wages, and contingent appropriations, and in the expectation of regular, eight-hour operation. If repayments to appropriations on account of earnings are anticipated, the estimated amounts thereof should be shown in lump sum following, and as a deduction from, the needed total of each appropriation.

Estimated compensation for personal services, whether paid from the salaries or from the wages appropriation, should be on the same basis as heretofore - to cover the regular or basic rates of compensation - disregarding the anticipated reclassification which it is expected will be used when the regular estimates are prepared at a later date.

Indication should be made of the amount required for increased compensation (if same should be continued) separately for those paid from the salaries and from the wages appropriations.

Only the total of each appropriation is now required, but if there is material difference between any total and the corresponding item appropriated for the year beginning July 1, 1923, explanation should be submitted.

Please make reply as soon as practicable; it should reach the Bureau not later than July 15, as the Bureau's report must be submitted by July 20.

Respectfully,

F. E. Baker

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 28, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia.
" " " " San Francisco.
" " " " Denver
" " " Assay Office, New York.

Sir:

In case you receive inquiries from Mr. C. L. Breger, 500 West 114th St., New York City, relative to the purchase of silver under the Pittman Act, I should like to have you make no reply further than to advise Mr. Breger that his letter has been sent to this office for attention.

Respectfully,

F. E. Bailey

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 28, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 27 you are authorized to purchase from M. Blumstein approximately 500 pounds of Wilton scrap carpet at 5¢ per pound and a job lot of ingrain carpet for $10.00, for use in making fire mitts. It is understood that this carpet is being disposed of at a low figure and inasmuch as you are in need of this material you desire to take advantage of this favorable price. It is also understood that this expenditure will be made from your appropriation, "Contingent Expenses, Mint at Philadelphia, 1923."

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 28, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the terms named in your letter of June 28, 1923, the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco has asked for the manufacture of a ten beam automatic weighing machine for his Mint, and this letter will be authority for you to proceed with the manufacture of this machine, it being understood that the cost to the Mint at San Francisco will be $4,000.00.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 28, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

This will confirm telephone communication of today authorizing you to purchase from W. J. Lear 300 feet of ash, 21" wide, it being understood that this is the lowest of three bids received.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 29, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to Bureau letter of June 23 authorizing you to purchase stoneware from the Alberene Stone Company, the same is hereby amended to authorize you to accept the proposal of the Alberene Stone Company to furnish two tanks with backs instead of without backs, it being understood that the cost of the tanks desired with backs will be $81.00 per tank, or a total of $162.00. It is understood that the Alberene Stone Company is the lowest bidder.

Respectfully,

M. McKelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 29, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 28 you are authorized to purchase from the Philadelphia Asbestos Company 100 pounds of asbestos cloth with wire insulation and 100 pounds of asbestos cloth without the wire at 80 cents per pound, it being understood that this is the lowest of three bids received.

Respectfully,

N. M. O'Reelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 29, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 28, 1923, you are authorized to purchase from Henry Disston & Son, Inc., one sectional interlocking tooth milling saw at $133.20 net. It is understood that this was the only bid obtained as the above-named firm is the only one handling this kind of saw.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 29, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith returned are your water bills for the period July 1, 1923 to December 31, 1922, as requested in your letter of June 28, 1923.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 29, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please refer to copy of Bureau letter of June 19, 1923, addressed to the United States Smelting Refining and Mining Co., which was forwarded to you by endorsement on that date. Our letter of June 19, 1923, to the above-named company has since been amended to make the amount of silver undeliverable 58,281 ounces as of June 2, 1923, instead of 132,641 ounces as of May 29, 1923.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

June 30, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please forward direct to Hon. S. Parker Gilbert, Jr., Under Secretary of the Treasury, together with your account for the same, the following medals:

One of Secretary Mellon in silver.
One of Secretary Glass in bronze.
One of President Wilson in bronze.

Please have these medals put in cases, the same as those you have recently been furnishing.

Respectfully,

W. McReelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 2, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 29, 1923, you are authorized to purchase from J. J. Mohr & Son, 150 sets of Letter "A" fire brick, 4 pieces to a set, at $155.00, it being understood that this is the lowest of three bids received.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 2, 1923.

All Mint Service Institutions

Sir:

Enclosed please find circular letter from the Secretary of the Treasury requesting information for the Secretary of Labor regarding Negro employees, to which please make appropriate reply at your convenience.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 5, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please forward to the Bureau an embossed card showing the smallest size die you have of the Great Seal.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 5, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please forward to the Bureau a statement, in duplicate, mailing it not later than Saturday of this week, showing daily meltings of silver bullion allocated to you from the Pittman account under dates October 18th and December 18th, 1920, 3,000,000 ounces/each, for use in manufacturing subsidiary silver coin, with quantity of each lot made into coinage ingots and kind of ingots made - that is, denominations.

Also please forward a statement, in duplicate, of the quantity of refined subsidiary silver bullion received, in addition to that transferred from the Pittman Account, stating quantities by ounces, between November 11, 1920, and December 31, 1920, and that received during January, 1921.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 6, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith find for your files memorandum with papers specified therein, addressed by W. J. Weber, Chief of Division of General Accounts of the Treasurer's Office to Mr. Frantz of the Mint Bureau, under date of July 5, 1923, concerning correction of deposit in the Treasury as of June 30, 1923 of value of surplus bullion recovered at the Philadelphia Mint for the fiscal year 1923, the correct amount being $26,024.47 instead of $26,447.91.

Respectfully,

F. M. O'Reilly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1924 has been approved in the following sums;

Salaries	$ 5,500.00
Wages of Workmen	45,000.00
Contingent Expenses	5,000.00
Increase of Compensation	8,060.00

and for the fiscal year 1923,

Contingent Expenses	10,000.00
New Machinery and Appliances	100.00

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 6, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of July 3, 1923, concerning reimbursement of your Wages appropriation on account of the special silver dollar fund it is suggested that the usual vouchers be forwarded after the close of each month, including July, worded as heretofore except that they should be made in favor of the "Director of the Mint". For the purpose of expediting these transfers the vouchers are now paid in cash by the Treasury Deparment disbursing clerk and the proceeds at once deposited to the credit of the appropriations.

Respectfully,

W. M. O'Reilly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bills of the American Railway Express Company have been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation as follows:

For transportation of,

2 plaster casts of the Director of the Mint to Washington, April 30, 1923	$0.57
1 pkg. affidavits to Washington, May 2, 1923	.53
1 pkg. affidavits to Washington, May 21, 1923	.55
1 box plaster casts of the Director of the Mint, to Washington, May 8, 1923	.62
1 Millionaire Calculating Machine to New York, May 7, 1923	2.49

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 10, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of July 9, 1923, you are authorized to purchase from J. J. Mohr & Son 100 fire brick, letter B; 50 fire brick, letter E, and 50 fire brick, letter D, for $196.00, it being understood that this is the lowest of three bids received.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 10, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing pencil rubbing taken from the John Horn medal, the die for which is presumably at the Mint. The pencil rubbing is of the semi-wreath, which you will recognize by this sketch.

A benevolent society desires to use this wreath on an oval medallion about the size of the white paper upon which the pencil rubbing is pasted. They intend to submit an inscription to be afterward engraved where the inscription is now placed on the medal within the wreath.

Can you use this part of the John Horn medal on a piece of gold about the thickness of a fifty-cent piece, and cut in oval shape like the sample? Will you please advise this Bureau if this work can be done at the Mint, and the approximate cost of the gold and the work.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith find two bills of DeLanoy and DeLanoy, one covering insurance on coins, medals, and tokens, shipped to the National Museum, Washington, to be paid from your 1923 Contingent appropriation; the other covering insurance on new cents shipped to Boston, to be paid from Minor Coinage Profits.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 11, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., amount $.74, covering transportation charges on 2 boxes lead seals from Newark, N. J., May 3, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Mary McKelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 12, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Confirming telephone conversation of this morning, I have inserted in your bid on coin bags the words "United States Mint" to make your proposal read "F.O.B. United States Mint Philadelphia." This has been done on the face of the proposal and also added to your letter , which makes the final line of your letter of July 11 submitting the proposals read "The prices quoted are F.O.B. United States Mint Philadelphia."

Respectfully,

Thomas McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 12, 1923.

All Mint Service Institutions

Sir:

I am enclosing Circular No. 6 from the Chairman of the Treasury Department Personnel Classification Board which calls for additional information to that supplied in the forms recently forwarded. Please read the circular carefully and supply the information at your earliest convenience, and note that the Chairman of the Treasury Department Personnel Classification Board requests that the reports be on his desk not later than August 10, in order that the Treasury Board may give proper consideration to the information before transmitting the same to the General Personnel Classification Board.

Respectfully,

Mary McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 13, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Confirming telephone communication of today please forward to the Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, thirty obverse and twenty reverse nickel dies, six large nickel collars, six medium nickel collars, six medium dime collars, and six sets of double eagle segment collars.

Respectfully,

W. H. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of your letter of July 11 and appreciates the suggestion therein in connection with the possible saving of work incident to the preparation of Register of Vouchers and Disbursement Classification and schedule of vouchers paid.

The principal and almost exclusive use of Form No. 53 is as a schedule of the items, and their total, making up the disbursements carried to the account current. The schedule is used for checking purposes in this office and forwarded with vouchers to the General Accounting Office. It will therefore be seen that a duplicate of From No. 993, Register of Vouchers and Disbursement Classification, would be more voluminous and provide more information than necessary or desirable.

Possibly Form No. 53 could be amended to conform with the ruling on the left-hand page of Form No. 993, form 53 to be used while in preparation as a sheet overlying form 993, the book record thus being made in the form of a carbon copy. If you consider this practical, and that the saving of labor would warrant the expense of procuring an Elliott-Fisher Typing Machine please advise the Bureau, with information as to the time required at present for preparation of Form 53.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

F. Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 18, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Company, amount $.99, covering transportation as follows, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation;

1 pkg. personnel questionnaires, to Washington, June 6, 1923	$.47
1 pkg. affidavits to Washington, June 8, 1923	.52

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 18, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please forward to -

"Mr. H. D. Marshall, General Secretary,
Public Library, Museum, and Art Gallery,
Adelaide, South Australia,"

a medal in bronze of President Harding, forwarding to this office an account for the same, including cost of mailing and customs duty if any is required. The medal is being sent by Mr. Scobey personally to the Library in South Australia.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 19, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing letter received today from the Superintendent of the United States Assay Office at New York, enclosing a letter from the Acting Superintendent of Buildings regarding crucibles he has on hand. With return of these letters will you please advise the Bureau if you can use the crucibles referred to.

Respectfully,

M. McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 19, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of July 9th enclosing a duplicate bill against the War Department for Gold, Silver, and Bronze Pistol "AEF" Medals, dated November 19, 1919, amounting to $327.32, you are advised that this bill was settled by certificate #3567, date not available, credited to your 1920 appropriations as follows;

Wages of Workmen	$111.38
Contingent Expenses	215.94
	$327.32

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 23, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution has forwarded to the Bureau a voucher for $95.25 covering the cost of labor in assisting in the removal of cases from the numismatic cabinet. Will you please advise the Bureau with return of the voucher if the men who did this work were employees of the Mint, and if in your opinion the Mint should not furnish this labor for the purpose for which it was used. If the men were not regularly on the rolls of the Mint and were called back to the Mint for the purpose of doing this particular work will you please so state in a letter to the Bureau in order that the matter may be explained to the Smithsonian Institution.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 24, 1923.

ALL MINT SERVICE INSTITUTIONS

Sir:

Section 5 of the Deficiency Appropriation Act approved March 4, 1915, which requires the Department to submit to Congress on the first day of the session following the close of the fiscal year a statement relative to typewriting and other machines procured through exchange, reads as follows:

> "That the executive department and other government establishment and all branches of the public service may hereafter exchange typewriters, adding machines, and other similar labor saving devices in part payment for new machines used for the same purpose as those proposed to be exchanged. There shall be submitted to Congress on the first day of the session following the close of each fiscal year, a report showing as to each exchange hereunder, the make of the article, the period of its use, the allowance therefor, and the article, make and price, including exchange value, paid or to be paid for each article procured through such exchange."

You are requested to prepare and forward to this office as soon as practicable, and in any event not later than August 25, 1923, a statement in triplicate covering the above described machines purchased by your office for the period from July 1, 1922, to June 30, 1923. The statement is to be made on the accompanying form so that a uniform report may be submitted.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 24, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith find bill covering insurance on shipments of minor coin made during the month of June, 1923, payable from Profits on Minor Coinage.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 27, 1925.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

This will confirm telephone communication of today authorizing the purchase of 50,000 pounds of best grade electrolytic copper from Guggenheim Brothers at $14.50 per pound, this being the lowest of three bids received.

Respectfully,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 28, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of July 27, this Bureau will request authority from the Secretary of the Treasury to allow you to pay in advance for subscription to the Chemical & Metallurgical Engineering for the current fiscal year, but the Department cannot authorize payment in advance for a subscription before the appropriation is made. The request will therefore be made for the subscription covering this fiscal year.

Respectfully,

M. W. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 28, 1923.

Mr. F. H. Chaffin,
Chairman San Francisco Mint Settlement Committee,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Preliminary inspection of settlement papers and report pertaining to the San Francisco mint for the fiscal year 1923 disclose no mention of the nickel and bronze metals charged to the Melting and Refining Department other than in the certificate of the Bookkeeper; report thereon is requested.

A number of the schedules carry no headings whatever - merely lists of figures; reference is made to the settlement directions in this connection. Will you please supply the missing data.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 28, 1923.

Superintendent,
U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith find for your information copy of letter of this date sent to the St. Joseph Lead Company.

Respectfully,

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Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 30, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your telephone inquiry in regard to coin bags, please be advised that this Bureau has made inquiry and has been informed that no decision has yet been reached. You will be instructed as soon as possible of the decision of the Secretary's office in regard to the award of this bid.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 31, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the request contained in your letter of July 30 you are authorized to accept the proposal of the International Nickel Company to supply 16,100 pounds of screened shot nickel for coinage, at the rate of $0.26-1/2 per lb., this being the lowest of two bids received. It is understood that this nickel is to be used for the Peruvian coinage.

Respectfully,

D. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 31, 1923.

The Superintendent,
U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication requesting you to forward to the Mint at San Francisco ten pairs of DIME DIES.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 31, 1923.

Mr. F. H. Chaffin,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your voucher covering subsistence expenses July 1st to 17th, 1923, has been received and is being held in this office pending receipt of advice requested in first paragraph of Bureau letter of July 26th, it having been noted that only the date of departure from San Francisco had been entered thereon.

Respectfully,

M M Roberts

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

July 31, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to contracts for supplies for the fiscal year 1924, received this morning, will you please have contract bonds executed for each of the contracts. This will be required before the Solicitor will approve the contracts for submission to the Secretary.

Respectfully,

M. M. Kirk

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

August 1, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Division of Appointments, Treasury Department, has called attention to the fact that Jacob Stubaus, die maker, has been without bond since the expiration of the bond executed by him in August, 1915. Will you please advise this Bureau if you desire a bond for this employee, and if so the amount of the same.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

August 2, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Complying with your request of August 1, I am forwarding herewith six copies of Department Circular No. 154 (Revised), entitled "Acceptance of United States Bonds and Notes as Security in Lieu of Surety or Suritles on Penal Bonds."

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

August 2, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am forwarding to you today by registered mail a silver chloride bar weighing 27.04 ounces. Please forward granulated proof silver (shot form) to this office in exchange for same.

Respectfully,

Q. Acting Director of the Mint

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

August 2, 1923.

ALL MINT SERVICE INSTITUTIONS:

Sir:

I am enclosing Circular No. 9 received today in this office from the Personnel Classification Board with respect to the amounts which may be estimated for in paying employees classed in Grade 2 of the Custodian Service. This change will affect your estimates to the extent that the difference applies to employees whom you may have placed in those grades.

Respectfully,

D. H. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

August 2, 1923.

Superintendent,
U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

With reference to the draft of form for weigh clerk's bullion account forwarded with your letter of July 30th, I would like your opinion of the suggestion that column headings be printed for such columns as will be frequently and regularly used in both the gold and silver divisions, with two or three column headings left blank for such use as required. If the commonly used column headings are printed it will insure that these items will always be found in the same location and they can readily be referred to without first scanning the column headings.

Tentative column headings are noted on the enclosure, the headings for three columns being left blank. Please note that the miscellaneous column is located alongside the explanation column in order that the necessary explanation of the miscellaneous column may be readily referred to.

With return of the enclosure I would be pleased to have any further suggestions you may care to make. Unless you have reasons for particularly desiring a loose-leaf book the proposed record will be bound.

Respectfully,

M. McReally

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enc.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

DATE WRITTEN:

Washington,

August 6, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia.
" " " " Denver, Colorado.
" " " " San Francisco, Cal.
" " " " Carson City, Nevada.
" " " " New Orleans, La.
" Assay Office, New York, N.Y.
" " " " Deadwood, S.D.
" " " " Helena, Montana.
" " " " Boise, Idaho.
" " " " Salt Lake City, Utah
" " " " Seattle, Washington.

As tribute of respect to memory late President your institution will remain closed so far as public business will permit on day of funeral Friday August tenth in keeping with the spirit of Executive Proclamation declaring that day to be a day of mourning and prayer throughout the United States

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Director

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Cont: Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR ..... The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 310 A
Treasury Telegram E-1208

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

August 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1924 has been approved as follows;

Salaries	$5,000.00
Wages of Workmen	40,000.00
Contingent Expenses	10,000.00
Increase of Compensation	6,700.00

and for the fiscal year 1923;

Contingent Expenses	3,000.00

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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August 6, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Boise, Idaho.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Deadwood, S. Dak.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, Carson City, Nev.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Helena, Mont.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Sir:

Herewith please find blank forms upon which to submit appropriation estimates for the fiscal year which will begin July 1st, 1924, (white sheets), and schedules of expenditures for the fiscal years 1923, 1924, and 1925, (green sheets). These need not be forwarded in duplicate.

As regards the estimates for personal services, the Bureau is informed that the Personnel Classification Board will not be able to furnish the reclassification schedules in time for use in preparing the estimates which are now to be submitted. It is therefore requested that detailed estimates be made at the present time on the same basis as heretofore, disregarding the anticipated reclassification. It is expected that amended personnel estimates which will take reclassification into consideration will be prepared at a later date when the Personnel Classification Board's schedules become available; but any proposed reductions or increases in number of employees should be estimated for at the present time. Please include the estimated requirement for increased compensation as was done when preliminary estimate was forwarded in reply to Bureau letter of June 28, 1923. Reference should be made to that letter before preparing the present estimates.

The details of the appropriations should be prepared in the same form as heretofore, as illustrated on the enclosed extracts from the printed budget for the fiscal year 1924.

If increases of appropriations over those of the current fiscal year are requested, and they are not fully explained in the preliminary estimates submitted in July, detailed explanation thereof should accompany the present estimates.

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Please prepare and forward these estimates at the earliest practicable date; the Bureau is required to report to the Budget Officer not later than August 20th.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scott

Enc.

Director of the Mint.

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August 7, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of August 6 you are authorized to purchase from the Harbison-Walker Refractories Company, 2,000 of their "Woodland" 9" fire brick at the rate of $85.00 per thousand, it being understood that this brick is manufactured exclusively by the above named firm, and that it serves your purpose much better than other makes of brick for the particular use to which it is put.

Respectfully,

F E Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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August 7, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith find bill covering insurance on new nickels shipped to the Federal Reserve Bank, Cleveland, Ohio, payable from Minor Coinage Profits.

Respectfully,

F E Scobey

s. Director of the Mint.

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August 11, 1923.

ALL MINT SERVICE INSTITUTIONS

Sir:

Referring to telegram from this office requesting you to half-staff flags on your institution, please be advised that by order of the President, as a tribute to the memory of the late President, flags will remain at half-staff on all public buildings of the United States until the close of Monday, September 3, 1923.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scilley

Director of the Mint.

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August 13, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Boise, Idaho.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, Carson City, Nevada.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Deadwood, S.Dak.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Helena, Mont.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Sir:

Herewith find copy of the Under Secretary's letter dated August 7th, 1923, concerning moneys not paid into the Treasury. Please forward the required information so as to reach this office in time for the Director to make the required report on or before September 1st, next.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

Enc.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

August 14, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of August 9, in which you state that Chalfant & Scott desire to deposit Cupon Liberty Bonds in the sum of $5,000 as security for the faithful performance of their contract, please be advised that we have taken this matter up with the Secretary's office and have been advised that you, as bond approving officer, may hold this security. It will be necessary, however, that the papers called for in Department Circular No. 154 (Revised) be executed, and that the power of attorney authorizing you to dispose of the security in case of default be forwarded to this Bureau for transmission to the Secretary's office.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 15, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of August 13, 1923, you are authorized to accept the proposal of Streeter, Hackney & Co. to supply your mint with 50 dozen pairs of reversible buck mittens and 25 dozen pairs of buckskin gloves, all at $11.50 per dozen pairs, a total of $862.50. It is understood that three bids were invited, and that this is the lower of two bids received.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 16, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing a check for $7.60 from Hon. Selden P. Spencer, United States Senator, who desires five of the Harding Medallions. Will you please forward these medals when ready to Senator Spencer at 1230 Boatmen's Bank Building, St. Louis, Mo. Please give this order precedence.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 16, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing a check for $4.56 from Mr. A. G. Eidemiller, who desires three of the Harding Medallions. Mr. Eidemiller is a friend of Mr. Scobey's, and I am sure the Director will appreciate it if you will forward these medals when ready to Mr. Eidemiller care of the Recorder's Office, Troy, Ohio. Please give this order precedence.

Respectfully,

M. P. McKelley

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 17, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please refer to circular letter from this Bureau dated July 24, 1923, in which it was requested that you prepare and forward to this office not later than August 25, a statement in triplicate covering exchanges of typewriters, adding machines, and other similar labor saving devices during the fiscal year 1923 in part payment for new machines used for the same purpose as those proposed to be exchanged. To date the Bureau has no record of having received the executed forms from your institution. Will you please fill out the accompanying form in triplicate and forward the same to the Bureau at once in order that there may be no delay in submitting the reports to the Chief Clerk of the Department.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 17, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You are authorized to accept the proposal of the Riverside Metal Company to supply your mint with 3,000 pounds of bronze metal at 22½¢ per pound, it being understood that this is the lowest bid obtainable. It is also understood that payment is to be made from your contingent fund, 1924.

Respectfully,

M. W. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 22, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Confirming telephone communication of today please forward to the Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, twenty obverse and ten reverse nickel dies.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 22, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Secretary's office has requested this Bureau to make weekly reports of coinage at your Mint. In the future will you please make a report at the close of business on Saturday so the Bureau may have the information on Monday morning to give to the Secretary.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 22, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am forwarding you today by registered mail 15.70 ounces of gold cornets. In exchange please supply this office with an equivalent amount of proof gold, in strip form.

Respectfully,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 22, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please refer to last paragraph, first page, of Bureau letter dated August 6, 1923, concerning appropriation estimates and advise the Bureau at once as to the basis for the considerably varying estimated expenditures between the three fiscal years on account of items classed under symbol Nos.

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1020	1320	1380	0280

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

F. Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

August 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am returning herewith the checks enclosed with your letter of August 23, 1923 without endorsement. May I suggest that these checks be returned to the makers with instructions to have money orders or cash sent to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia. The Bureau is following this course with all checks and drafts received in this office.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 25, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of the 15.70 ounces of proof gold forwarded from the Philadelphia Mint with your letter of August 23rd.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Q. Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

August 25, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition has been approved for advance to you the sum of $12,000.00 from the appropriation Contingent Expenses, Mint at Philadelphia, 1924, to meet the expenses of your institution for the fiscal year 1924.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 29, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of August 28, 1923, you are authorized to purchase from Streeter, Hackney & Co., 25 dozen pairs of horsehide gloves at $7.25 per dozen pairs, it being understood that this is the lower of two bids received, and that three bids had been requested.

Respectfully,

F E Feeney

Director of the Mint.

OR

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August 30, 1923.

Hon. Freas Styer,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Styer:

This will introduce Mr. A. B. Miess and party. Mr. Miess is a member of the Internal Revenue Bureau and has the permission of the Under Secretary's office to be admitted to the Mint.

Please extend the courtesies of the Mint to Mr. Miess and oblige.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

August 31, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia

Please forward soon as possible to San Francisco Mint twenty obverse fifteen reverse halves dies and twenty obverse fifteen reverse quarters dies

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
2—5738
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

September 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following bills, payable from your 1923 contingent appropriation, have this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement:

Philadelphia & Norfolk Steamship
Co., 1 case envelopes Richmond,
Va. to Phila., June 21, 1923 . . . $3.01

Southern Pacific Company, 5 bdls.
coin bags Phila. to San Fran.,
May 4, 1923 . . . . . $35.85

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, amount $0.54, covering transportation charges on 1 crate paste, Washington to Philadelphia, July 3, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

September 5, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Attention is invited to the following items pertaining to your accounts for the quarter ended June 30, 1923.

Please forward quotation of Cliggett's Sons for scrap iron and belting sold them; quotations accompany vouchers for all the other items of old material sold.

On pay-roll for first half of May, Samuel G. Walker, temporary Helper at $4.50 per diem, is paid for 7-6/8 days during the period May 1st to 8th, on which date he was separated from the service; there is no indication of overtime and the period in question covers only 7 working days. This makes an apparent overpayment of 6/8 days - $3.37.

May voucher #666 in favor of R. B. Seidel, Inc., is not supported by quotations on items #2 and #7, graphite covers #20 and stirrers. Please forward same.

Voucher #750, June accounts, in favor of the Sun Oil Co., is accompanied by offer of 1% discount for payment in 10 days; discount of 21¢ not taken.

Herewith I am returning what purports to be a miner's affidavit, sent you by the United Metals Selling Company with their letter of May 28, 1923, in support of sales of silver under the Pittman Act. This affidavit covers 94.06 ounces silver produced by the Eureka Smelter in Arizona from flue dust, and their is nothing to indicate that it was produced from mines of the United States. The affidavit is therefore not acceptable as supporting sale of silver to the United States under the Pittman Act.

Copies of letters addressed this day to the United Metals Selling Co., American Smelting & Refining Company, and United States Smelting Refining & Mining Company, concerning affidavits, are forwarded herewith for your information and guidance. No action will need be taken by you with regard thereto.

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Deposit #4395 by Ostby & Barton Co. appears to have been white gold, weight 461.[illegible]2 ounces after melting. The toughening charge imposed should have been $1.20 instead of $1.00. Deposit #4808 by S. Pettman, weighing 10½ ounces after melting should have carried a parting and refining rate of 42¢ instead of 4¢, giving an apparent under-charge of 5¢; assay report in this case carried 911 gold, 5 silver, and 84 base. Regarding these two cases, no action need be taken by you unless required by the General Accounting Office.

Some time ago request was made by the Bureau that all assay reports be filled out as to the entire one-thousand parts of the material being assayed. This is the regular practice of the other mint service institutions, and the information should be carried to the assay report for checking and other purposes. The following assay reports are returned herewith for amendment, as above: Silver bars numbers 1175 and 1177; Pittman silver numbers 283 to 455, inclusive; regular deposits numbers 4752, 4753, 5244, 5245, 5269, 5290, 5572, 5573; Peruvian Government silver numbers 1, 2, and 3.

Respectfully,

W. M. O'Reilly

Enc.

Acting Director of the Mint.

P.S. Assay reports forwarded under separate cover.

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September 5, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, amount $11.49, covering the following transportation charges, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1923 contingent appropriation:

1 bbl. Clay scorifiers, Denver to Philadelphia, Feb. 7, 1923.....$5.72

1 Power stone crusher on skids and 1 box parts for same, St.Louis to Philadelphia, April 24, 1923..$5.77

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 6, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the following coinage for the Government of Nicaragua as soon as the demand for domestic coinage will permit:-

500,000 Cordoba 1-cent copper pieces.
200,000 1/2-cent Cordoba copper pieces.

It is understood that the National Bank of Nicaragua has already communicated with you in regard to this coinage, and that the Bank of Central and South America, Inc., 44 Pine Street, New York, agent of the aforesaid National Bank, will receive and make payment to you for the coinage when the same is ready.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please find herewith report, on form 900, of the Melting and Refining department operations on gold and silver during the fiscal year 1923. Please note that the quantity of gold clippings reported as having been received is double that of all other gold received in the department. Is this correct, and if so further information concerning same will be appreciated. Also please note the item of 1,239,933.018 ounces of gold receipts without any indication as to the source. Please indicate under the head of amount operated upon, in the department proper, the amount of gold and silver actually operated upon, instead of the total credits plus wastage. Also please take steps to insure that in preparation of future reports on this form the quantity actually operated upon is given.

With reference to your report of minor coinage metal operations of the Melting and Refining department, please advise if we will be correct in assuming that the quantities shown to have been operated upon in the ingot melting operations are the correct amounts actually operated upon in the department proper?

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

September 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition has been approved for advance to you the following, to meet the expenses of your institution during the fiscal year 1924:

Salaries	$ 4,700.00
Wages of Workmen	42,000.00
Contingent Expenses.	12,000.00
Increase of Compensation . .	6,000.00
	$64,700.00

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 6, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Under date of September 4 the State Department was advised by the Secretary of the Treasury that you would be authorized to proceed as early as practicable with the following coinage desired by the Peruvian Government:-

1,500,000 silver one sol pieces.

This is in addition to the 4,000,000 pieces for which authority was given early in the year.

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the coinage desired by the Peruvian Government as soon as the demands for domestic coinage will permit.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 6, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Responding to your request of September 5th, and in confirmation of telephone communications of this date, you are authorized to employ twenty additional temporary men, it being understood that the increased force is necessary to meet the demand for coinage and to prepare and manufacture the large number of Harding Medals for which you now have orders. The rate of pay for the temporary employees is to be $4.50 per day without bonus, and their employment is to cease as soon as it is possible for you to dispense with their services.

Respectfully,

D. W. Roberts

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

September 7, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of this date authorizing you to accept the proposal of the ~~Metals Sales Corporation~~ Guggenheim to supply the Philadelphia Mint with 300,000 pounds of best grade electrolytic copper in 20-lb ingots, at $0.1385 per lb. for minor coinage.

Respectfully,

H. McKeldin

Acting Director of the Mint

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September 8, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The British Embassy has requested, through the State Department, that Colonel Robert A. Johnson, Deputy Master of the Royal Mint at London, and Mr. A. W. H. Cleave, Deputy Master of the Royal Mint, Ottawa, be permitted to visit the Mint. The State Department has been advised that you would be glad to extend every courtesy to the visitors upon their arrival at the Mint. The letter of the State Department indicates that the call will be made within a few days.

Respectfully,

M. McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 8, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Responding to your request of September 7, you are hereby authorized to accept the proposal of the Electric Storage Battery Company to supply the following renewal parts foryour installation at a cost of $292.68, it being understood that it is impractical to get competitive bids for the reason that the Company named is the manufacturer and patentee.

Respectfully,

M. N. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 11, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Sometime ago the Nichols Copper Company forwarded a lot of miners' affidavits to this office in support of sales of silver under the Pittman Act. As a result of correspondence, these affidavits have been put in proper shape and were recently forwarded to the General Accounting Office for file with mint returns of the quarter ended March 31, 1923. Of this lot, miners' affidavits to a total of 425,391 ounces have been credited to your institution on account of the Nichols Company, and it is requested that in your next report to this office, the above named quantity be included therein.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 11, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Voucher in favor of Spink and Son, Ltd., amounting to approximately $452.93, covering coins purchased for the numismatic collection, forwarded with your letter of August 24, 1923, is returned with the information that funds have been advanced to you, in the sum of $500, from the Appropriation Contingent Expenses, Mint at Philadelphia, 1922, from which payment should be made by obtaining bill of exchange. Any balance remaining unexpended from the amount advanced should be repaid into the Treasury.

Respectfully,

W. H. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

September 12, 1923.

Superintendent,
U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please forward to the Bureau as soon as practicable, a balanced statement of your Contingent and New Machinery and Appliances Expense Appropriation transactions pertaining to the fiscal year 1923? The statement should include total incumbrances with the plus and minus adjustments, cash payments, and unliquidated balance of incumbrances, with a schedule of the items making up the total unliquidated balance.

If there are unliquidated incumbrances at the end of September which it is anticipated can be liquidated at an early date, your cash balance under the 1923 appropriation may be retained until settlement has been made of such items.

Respectfully,

D. M. Shelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

F

September 12, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Bureau is informed by the Bureau of Supplies that blades for pencil sharpening machines recently requested by you will be forwarded.

However, they state that the band daters are not supplied by them for the field service and you are therefore authorized to procure them as a charge against your own contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. Riddy

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

September 14, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

With reference to your memorandum copy of Bill of lading No. 449,322, issued yesterday in connection with a shipment of nickels and dimes to the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, it is requested that in the future, shipments of minor coin be made on seperate bills of lading from shipments of other coin, since the original bill of lading must accompany the voucher for payment of charges and the charges on the shipments of minor coin are payable by you, while charges on shipments of other coin are payable in Washington.

Respectfully,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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OR

September 20, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of September 15 in which you state that there is stored at the Quartermaster's Intermediate Depot at Philadelphia certain sheeting which will be suitable for coin bags and which is to be sold at Brooklyn on September 27. It is understood by this office that you are obtaining an option on 15,000 yards of this material and that you are to pay the same price as it brings at the sale less fifteen percent.

Please consider this letter as authority to conclude this purchase.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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OR

September 20, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith a letter received from Mr. Hamilton Foley relative to obtaining a copy of the President Harding Medallion in aluminum. Will you be kind enough to correspond directly with Mr. Foley? He has today been advised of the reference of his letter and has been told that there is no objection to the reproduction of this medal in aluminum if the mint can make the same, and that you will communicate with him in regard to it.

Respectfully,

G. E. Roberts

Director of the Mint.

Incl:

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September 20, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please forward to the mint at San Francisco ten pairs of nickel dies.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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September 22, 1925.

Superintendent,
United States Mint, Philadelphia,
San Francisco,
Denver,
U. S. Assay Office, New York.

Sir:

Herewith find copy of the Treasury Budget Officer's letter dated September 18, also copy of the Personnel Classification Board's circular letter No. 11 of September 15, concerning compensation schedules, etc. Pamphlet of tentative Compensation Schedules (one copy only available for you) is forwarded under separate cover. Please note that reports called for must be in the hands of the Budget Officer by October 6. In view of the considerable work necessary by the Bureau after receipt of your reports it is requested that you mail same to the Bureau in duplicate at the earliest practicable moment.

Please refer to last sheet of the enclosure (form for report). If practicable, list the employees in numerical order corresponding to the classification sheet numbers (Personnel Classification Board Form No. 1) as rendered in June.

If your allocations of employees to grades which appear to you to be appropriate and just and in conformity with the tentative schedules have the result of bringing the total needed funds beyond the amounts of the estimates submitted for the 1925 budget, Salaries; Wages: it is requested that you also submit an alternate schedule on the fairest possible basis which will bring the totals within the above named amounts already submitted for the 1925 budget, which amounts include the equivalent of the present $240. bonus.

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It is evident that a large majority of mint service employees will come under the metallurgy group of the professional and subprofessional services. For those employees who are to be continued on a per diem basis the rates assigned should, as nearly as possible, be the per diem equivalent of the per annum rates named in schedule for similar service, and should be in multiples of eight for convenience in computing pay for fractions of days.

Please give very careful consideration to the instructions as time may not permit delay incident to return of reports for correction, with possible consequent injustice to some employees.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Sal.		Wag.
74,040	--Philadelphia	--527, 280
53,440	San Francisco	201, 880
47,280	Denver	127,520
59,400	New York	205,200

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OR

September 22, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of September 21, relative to the balance of minor coin on hand for recoinage, please be advised that the subject is under discussion by the Division of Bookkeeping and Warrants.

The appropriation is exhausted and it may be that some effort will be made to procure a deficiency.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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OR

September 22, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of September 21., you are hereby authorized to make arrangements with the Philadelphia Electric Company for supply current for the 1,000 pound electric furnace for a period of three months or longer with the privilege of discontinuing any time after three months on thirty days written notice to the Company.

Please forward the contract to this office for approval.

Respectfully,

W M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 25, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of September 11 concerning express charges to be imposed for return of kegs and bags used in shipment of coin, it is suggested that whenever practicable, a set of prepared or partially prepared bill of lading forms be forwarded to consignee of the coin for his use in making return shipment of the containers. Where this is found impracticable, bills in payment of express charges of this kind or supporting vouchers should carry your certification that no government bill of lading was issued to cover the shipment.

The charge covering expense of returning these containers would be payable, as regards uncirculated minor coin containers, from the profits on the minor coinage in the same manner as cost of distribution when the coin is shipped by you. The charges covering return of containers of other than minor coin would be payable from your contingent appropriation current at the time the containers were returned to you by the shipper.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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September 25, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am again enclosing a revision of the Circular entitled "Information Relating to Coins and Medals". Will you please have this pamphlet carefully checked over in your mint and make any changes you deem advisable and return with your approval for printing. Please do not hesitate to change this in any particular where you deem it advisable.

Respectfully,

E. O. Sorby

Director of the Mint.

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September 27, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In compliance with your request of July 9, 1923, inquiry was made of the Department of State regarding payment of voucher covering the manufacture of 50 gold Life Saving medals, amount $1,334.94, distributed as follows:

Wages of Workmen, 1921 - - -	$ 138.34
Contingent Expenses, 1921 -	1,196.60
Total - - -	$1,334.94

Advice has been received that voucher referred to was settled by Auditor's certificate of settlement #6465, dated September 3, 1921.

In this connection, inquiry was also made regarding August 1922 voucher covering the manufacture of 50 gold Life Saving medals, amount $1,379.91, distributed as follows:

Wages of Workmen, 1923 - - -	$ 143.12
Contingent Expenses, 1923 -	1,236.79
Total - - -	$1,379.91

and advice received of settlement by Auditor's certificate of settlement #9694, dated October 5, 1922.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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September 27, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of September 20, concerning check lists required by the General Accounting Office in conformity with their circular No. 31, please be informed that, since such check lists must be in numerical order while the schedule of vouchers, now prepared on Form 53, must be in numerical order of voucher numbers, it will not be possible to combine the two lists because voucher numbers and the checks issued for voucher payments can not be synchronized. Press of other duties prevents full consideration in this office, at the present time, of this question of forms and proceedure for preparation of check schedules.

Information from the check division of the General Accounting Office is to the effect that the direction in circular No. 31 applies to bullion fund checks as well as those pertaining to ordinary accounts.

The column headed "Pay No." in sample form for list of checks drawn, appearing at foot of page one of General Accounting Office Regulations No. 31, is not intended to be used where vouchers are numbered.

Respectfully,

F. E. Baker

Director of the Mint.

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September 28, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith find duplicates of the reclassification sheets of your institution for your temporary use. Please return as soon as practicable.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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September 28, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of September 26, 1923, forwarding statement of your contingent, and new machinery and appliances appropriation transactions pertaining to the fiscal year 1923. The following tabulations of encumbrances and adjustments in your contingent appropriation, by months, represent those reported on your monthly schedules and information is requested as to what changes are required to bring these figures into agreement with your records, as reported in statement forwarded with letter above mentioned. It will be noted that there are material differences between the figures built up from your month to month reports and those carried in the above mentioned letter.

	Encumbrances	Adjustments	
		Add +	Deduct
July	$ 7,538.85	- --	$ .78
Aug.	35,301.00	$13.11	9.76
Sept.	14,695.91	66.48	77.51
Oct.	22,307.63	41.36	37.76
Nov.	16,693.69	51.69	32.73
Dec.	22,965.63	143.88	24.11
Jan.	26,900.13	218.23	24.01
Feb.	12,648.24	343.77	88.21
Mar.	11,688.73	69.09	116.13
Apr.	15,275.66	78.54	131.77
May	13,180.37	137.83	295.35
June	20,352.22	147.98	64.86
July	- --	330.67	184.22
Aug.	- --	304.25	32.97
Total	$217,628.06	$1,946.88	$1,120.19

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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September 28, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You are hereby authorized to invite proposals for supplying your mint with blanks for the five cent nickel piece and the one cent bronze piece.

Respectfully;

F E Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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September 28, 1926.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of September 25 you are authorized to purchase the following graphite goods from the Jos. Dixon Crucible Company at the prices indicated, it being understood that these prices are as low and in one instance lower than any received:

100 stirrers, regular	@	.50 each	$50.000
100 " #0	@	.25 "	25.00
25 crucibles, #20	@	2.40 "	60.00
100 dipping cups #5	@	.50 "	50.00
			185.00
		Less 1%	1.85
			183.15

You are also authorized to purchase from the East End Waste Company, 2,000 pounds of white rags at 11½ per pound, the lower of two bids received.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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September 28, 1926.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of September 28, you are authorized to accept the bid of the Mine and Smelter Supply Company to supply your mint with a launder for the Ellspass Mill at a cost of $155.00 f.o.b. Denver, Colorado, it being understood that this firm is the manufacturer of this particular part of the machine.

Respectfully,

F. E. Leavy

Director of the Mint.

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September 28, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You are hereby authorized to transfer, on September 29, to your books from the mint at Denver, 2,440,917.97 fine ounces recoinage silver bullion valued at $3,374,346.60, and also to transfer on your books, to the Denver Mint, 2,440,917.97 fine ounces of silver purchased under the Pittman Act of April 23, 1918, at $1.00 per ounce.

These are book transfers only; no bullion will be shipped; the contra entries for both transactions will be made on the books of the Denver mint; there will be no change in the combined totals(at the two mints) of recoinage silver bullion nor of silver dollar bullion.

These transfers are made in order that silver bullion available for subsidiary coinage now on hand, but not at the particular location where needed, may be used, thus avoiding the purchase of additional bullion for delivery at the point where needed.

These transfers have been approved by the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and the Comptroller General. Please make reference on your records to this authority for making these transfers, and forward a copy of this letter with your quarterly account current.

Respectfully,

F E Bonney

Director of the Mint

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September 29, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Under separate cover I am forwarding six Presidential medals which are being sent to be restored to your stock.

Respectfully,

F. Estelle

Director of the Mint.

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September 29, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from the minor coinage profits, bill of the American Railway Express Co., amount $183.86, covering your shipment of $20,000 in new nickels to the Federal Reserve Bank, St. Louis, Mo., under date of June 14, 1923.

Respectfully,

Enc.

Director of the Mint.

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October 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith I am returning affidavit of the Arizona Commercial Mining Co. forwarded with your letter of September 29, 1923, with the information that it will now be accepted as evidencing domestic production of 94.06 ounces of silver for sale to the Government under the Pittman Act.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith copy of bill of the American Railway Express Co., covering your shipment of $10,000 in nickels to the Federal Reserve Bank, Chicago, Ill., under date of July 11, 1923, also $150,000 in silver coin.

Payment from profits on minor coinage should be made in the amount of $84.16, to cover those items pertaining to minor coin and excess value thereon. The original bill of the Express Company was approved and forwarded August 20, 1923, to the General Accounting Office for settlement of the item $381.00, covering silver transportation, from the appropriation "Contingent Expenses, Public Moneys, 1924."

Certification on the original will be sufficient to cover this feature of the voucher.

Respectfully,

M. McReelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Company, amount $3.97, covering transportation charges on 1 case, "Millionaire" calculating machine, New York to Philadelphia, June 22, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1923 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 1, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Secretary has appointed a Committee in the Treasury Department to review and revise the time and leave regulations for the field service. I am enclosing a copy of Circular No. 202 covering the existing regulations. Will you please return the circular with whatever suggestions you would like to have the Bureau make in behalf of the Mint Service. Please return

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith copy of bill of the American Railway Express Co., covering your shipment of $25,000 in new nickels to the Federal Reserve Bank, Chicago, Ill., under date of July 18, 1923, also $50,000 in silver coin.

Payment from profits on minor coinage should be made in the amount of $210.45, to cover those items pertaining to minor coin and excess value thereon. The original bill of the Express Company was approved and forwarded August 25, 1923, to the General Accounting Office for settlement of the item $127.00, covering silver transportation, from the appropriation "Contingent Expenses, Public Moneys, 1924."

Certification on the original will be sufficient to cover this feature of the voucher.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

P.S. Photostatic copy of bill of lading should be filed with copy of voucher.

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October 3, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from minor coinage profits, bills of DeLancy & DeLancy, amounting to $2.55 and $7.26, covering insurance on shipments of minor coin during the months of July and August, 1923, respectively.

While the August bill contains an item of $0.30, covering a shipment from the San Francisco Mint, it is not considered of sufficient importance to warrant the rendering of a separate bill for payment by the San Francisco Mint as the total amount is payable from the same fund.

Respectfully,

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Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 3, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of October 2, 1923, regarding encumbrances set up for the fiscal year 1923, against your contingent appropriation, further information is requested concerning the amount of $2,056.39, shown as a deduction for the month of October, on account of bills sent to the Department for payment, and for which we do not seem to have any record. Kindly advise the Bureau the purpose in sending these bills to the Department for payment, their amounts and payees, and whether they were payable from the 1923 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Dr. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 3, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Confirming telephone communication and replying to your letter of October 2, you are hereby authorized to accept the proposal of the Scovill Manufacturing Company to furnish your mint with nickel and bronze blanks at the following prices:

200,000 pounds nickel blanks f.o.b. Mint at 51¢ per lb.
100,000 " bronze " " " " 36¢ " "

It is understood that there is an urgent demand for these blanks and that the Scovill Manufacturing Company is the only firm equipped to make prompt delivery.

Respectfully,

Th. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 3, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing voucher from Underwood & Underwood for five glossie prints of President Coolidge sent to the mint to be used in connection with the preparation of the Presidential medal. This account appears to be a proper charge against your contingent fund.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 3, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

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Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 3, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 27, together with contract bonds of Daniel J. Grugan, Chalfant and Scott, Nicholas J. Frederick Co., and The Standard Ice Manufacturing Company.

This office has no record of having received a contract from Chalfant and Scott covering the coal to be supplied your mint during the current fiscal year. Will you please have the same forwarded to the Bureau as soon as possible in order that it may be transmitted to the Solicitor and Secretary for approval.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 3, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia,
San Francisco,
Denver.
Assayer in Charge,
United States Mint,
New Orleans,
Carson City.

Sir:

Until further directed, you are authorized to discontinue, for the Federal Traffic Board, monthly reports of bills of lading issued.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 4, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please forward to "Hon. John Skelton Williams, Richmond, Virginia," three of the Wilson Presidential medals in the same kind of leather cases you formerly supplied for Mr. Williams for the medals he ordered. Please forward them directly to Mr. Williams together with your account for the same. Mr. Williams has been advised today that you have been instructed in this respect.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 4, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 3, 1923, you are authorized to purchase from the Driver-Harris Company eight Nichrome muffles at a cost of approximately $290.00, it being understood that this type of muffle manufactured by the above firm is far superior to other types.

You are also authorized to accept the bid of Streeter, Hackney & Co. for 50 dozen pairs of chamois golves at $9.00 a dozen pairs. It is understood that three bids were asked but that the above bid was the only one received.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition has been approved for advance to you the following, to meet the expenses of your institution during the fiscal year 1924:

Salaries	$ 5,000.00
Wages of Workmen	52,000.00
Contingent Expenses.	12,000.00
Increase of Compensation . .	7,000.00

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 9, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from the minor coinage profits, bills of the American Railway Express Company as follows:

40 bags, $10,000 in nickels, Phila. to Louisville, Ky., July 9, 1923 . . . . . .$82.83

40 bags, $10,000 in nickels, Phila. to Louisville, Ky., July 16, 1923. . . . . 82.16

40 bags, $10,000 in new nickels, Phila. to Detroit, Mich., July 16, 1923. . . . . 77.94

50 bags, $5,000 in new cents, Phila. to St. Louis, Mo., August 3, 1923 . . . . . 132.33

40 bags, $10,000 in new nickels, Phila. to Louisville, Ky., Aug. 23, 1923 . . . . . 82.83

80 bags, $20,000 in nickels and 100 bags, $10,000 in 1¢ pieces, Phila. to Cleveland, August 25, 1923 . . . . . 314.70

30 bags, $3,000 in new cents, Phila. to Memphis, Tenn., August 27, 1923 . . . . . 93.91

Total . . . $866.70

Respectfully,

M. W. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 9th, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following bills of the American Railway Express Company have this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation:

1 pkg. Flags, Norfolk, Va. to Philadelphia, July 31, 1923. - - - - -	$0.93
1 pkg. Affidavits, Phila. to Wash., August 15, 1923. - - - - - - - -	.45
1 box Plaster casts of reverse of Harding Medallion, Phila. to Wash., August 16, 1923. - - - - -	.43
1 pkg. Affidavits, Phila. to Wash., July 11, 1923. - - - - - - - - -	.52
	$2.33

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 8, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, amount $4.90, covering transportation accomodations furnished Mr. George T. Morgan, Washington, D. C. to Philadelphia, Pa., August 30, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

N M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 9, 1923.

ALL MINT SERVICE INSTITUTIONS

Sir:

Referring to Personnel Classification Board Circular No. 7 and form No. 4, copies of which were sent to you on August 28 for the purpose of having reports made of changes in personnel each month, will you please advise the Bureau of the number of blue sheets and pink sheets you should be provided with for the next six months in order that the Bureau may be provided with proper reports. It is required that one blue and two pink sheets be sent to the Bureau. The original blue and pink sheets are required by the Treasury Board and the Bureau desires to retain in its file a copy of the pink sheet. It will therefore be necessary for you to forward as above one blue and two pink sheets where these forms are required.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 9, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 8 you are authorized to accept the bid of the Balbach Metals Corporation covering three lots of sweeps, amounting to $4,717.11, it being understood that this concern was the highest of three bidders on each of the three lots.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 10, 1923.

Mr. F. H. Chaffin,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Chaffin:

Will you please advise the Bureau what progress Mr. Morgan is making on the model for Mr. Gilbert's medal, and what progress he is making on the President's medal. The Bureau would like very much to have Mr. Morgan favor the work on Mr. Gilbert's medal for the reason that he will retire from the Department shortly after his return from Europe at the end of this month.

Respectfully,

M. Mc Bailey

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 10, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing voucher submitted by Harris & Ewing covering three glossic prints of President Coolidge, which appears to be a proper charge against your contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

W M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 10, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of October 3 in which you state that you intend to connect up two motor generator sets for trial, will you please advise this Bureau if it is practicable for you to make a report on the same at this time.

Respectfully,

M. W. Ridley

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 12, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In response to your suggestion inquiry was made at the War Department in regard to the number of dies desired for use by the Mint at Manila and the Bureau has been informed today by the Chief, Bureau of Insular Affairs, War Department, that the Manila Mint will remain closed during next year and therefore no dies will be required.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 12, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am returning herewith contract and bond of Nicholas J. Frederick. It will be noted that the contract bond has not been signed by Mr. Frederick. I would suggest that the bond be signed and witnessed and returned to this office at as early a date as practicable.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 13, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 12 you are authorized to accept the proposal of the Littauer Glove Corporation to furnish your mint with 50 dozen pairs of reversible buckskin mittens at 98¢ a pair, it being understood that this is the lower of two bids received.

Respectfully,

N McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 13, 1923.

ALL MINT SERVICE INSTITUTIONS

Sir:

I am enclosing copy of Circular Letter received this day relative to the provisions of the President's order of March 5, 1923 regarding military preference.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 18, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Bureau is pleased to learn that, in response to your representations, the express company has decided to restore the practice formerly in effect of returning free of charge the empty containers of shipped coin.

As regards refund of charges already imposed, it is suggested that since the Bureau has no information concerning such charges, the refund be handled by you.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 19, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to telephone communication of recent date in which you referred to the accumulation of unparted bullion at your mint, and requesting authority to ship the same to the Assay Office at New York, please be advised that the Superintendent of the Assay Office has agreed to receive this unrefined bullion on invoiced fineness and you are authorized to proceed with the preparation and shipment of the same. It will be necessary to prepare this bullion for shipment by parcel post.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 20, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 18 you are authorized to purchase from the Philadelphia Book Company a copy of Vicker's "Metals and their Alloys" at a cost of $6.00, it being understood that this is the lower of two bids received.

You are also authorized to purchase from Gimbel Brothers 500 yards of cotton huck toweling at 17½¢ a yard, it being understood that while this is not the lowest bid received it is felt that this material will give better service than the lower priced grades.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 20, 1923.

Mr. George T. Morgan,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

~~Sir~~ Dear Mr. Morgan:

I understand that Mr. Gilbert, the Undersecretary, has postponed his sailing from Europe and that he will not be in Washington for at least two more weeks, and I think it would be nice to have the models of his medal here upon his arrival. When you send them I will see that they are forwarded to his office to be held for him.

I am sure that he will be glad you have been able to use other than the profile models.

Respectfully,

Nan O-Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 20, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 19 you are authorized to purchase from the Mill and Smelter Supply Company four chrome steel tires, 32" diam. and 7" face, for use on your Ellspass mill, at a total cost of $365.00 f.o.b. Denver. It is understood that this firm is the manufacturer of the mill and the only known dealer.

You are also authorized to purchase from the E. W. Bliss Company a repair part for the Bliss press at an expenditure of $167.50, it being understood that you have been required to order the part under an exigency of the service.

Respectfully,

D. D. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

October 23, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith copy of bill of the American Railway Express Co., covering your shipment of $50,000 in nickels to the Federal Reserve Bank, Chicago, Ill., under date of September 13, 1923, also $100,000 in dimes.

Payment from profits on minor coinage should be made in the amount of $443.65, to cover those items pertaining to minor coin and excess value thereon. The original bill of the Express Company was approved and forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement of the item $254, covering silver transportation, from the appropriation "Contingent Expenses, Public Moneys, 1924."

Certification on the original will be sufficient to cover this feature of the voucher.

Respectfully,

M McReelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

October 23, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Kindly be advised that the following amounts, representing reimbursements from the Special Fund - Charges on Silver Dollar Bullion Sold, have been deposited to the credit of your current wages appropriation:

$15,000.00 - C.D. #4924, dated 8/13/23.
16,748.65 - C.D. #7760, dated 10/6/23.

These amounts are deposited without personal credit and should not be carried into your account current.

Settlements on account of expenses on silver dollar recoinage during September are expected in the next few days, as follows:

$21,102.87 - Wages of Workmen, 1924
5,848.60 - Contingent Expenses, 1924.

Respectfully,

N. McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

October 24, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway Company totaling $1.92 has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from the following appropriations:

Contingent Expenses, 1923 . . . . . .$1.27
4 fibre wheels;Lansing,Mich.to
Philadelphia,Pa.,May 18,1923.

Contingent Expenses, 1924 65
2 cases Metal Polish Liquid;
Lincoln,N.J.to Philadelphia,Pa.,
September 1, 1923.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

October 24, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bills of The Pennsylvania Railroad Company totaling $5.73, covering transportation charges on the following shipments, have this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation:

10 cases common soap Buffalo, N.Y. to Philadelphia, Pa., August 16, 1923...	$1.50
10 cases 50,000 lead bag seals, Newark, N.J. to Phila., Pa., Aug. 24, 1923.....	2.94
1 box electrical controllers, Milwaukee, Wis. to Phila., Pa., Aug. 28, 1923..	1.29
Total.	$5.73

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

October 25, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There are being forwarded herewith, for payment from the minor coinage profits, bills of the American Railway Express Company as follows:

40 bags, $10,000 in new 5¢ nickels, Phila. to Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 25, 1923.....$124.12

100 bags, $25,000 in new nickels, Phila. to Chicago, Ill., Aug. 30, 1923..... 210.45

20 bags, $5,000 in new nickels, Phila. to Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 1, 1923..... 62.11

120 bags, $30,000 in nickels and 250 bags, $25,000 in cents, Phila. to Detroit, Mich., Sept. 6, 1923. 786.65

20 kegs, $25,000 in new nickels, Phila. to New Orleans, La., Sept. 7, 1923.....410.70

40 bags, $10,000 in nickels and 30 bags, $3,000 in cents, Phila. to Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 17, 1923. 201.38

250 bags, $25,000 in new cents, Phila. to Chicago, Ill., Sept. 19, 1923.....601.18

40 bags, $10,000 in nickels and 10 Bags, $1,000 in cents, Phila. to Louisville, Ky., Sept. 20, 1923. 106.50

Total $2,503.09

Respectfully,

M W Raley

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

October 25, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of The Pullman Company, amount $1.13, covering accomodations furnished Mr. George T. Morgan, Washington to Philadelphia, August 29, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

H. McReally

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

October 29, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 27 you are authorized to purchase from the American Gas Furnace Company three retorts for your No. 17 Heating Machines, at a total cost of $475.00, it being understood that the last retort is now in use and that you are in immediate need of this supply.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

October 29, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Company, amount $0.43, covering express charges on 1 box, plaster cast of Harding medal, Philadelphia to Washington, August 22, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

October 29, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Company, amount $0.38, covering express charges on 1 box, model for Harding memorial medal, Philadelphia to Washington, August 20, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

W M O'Reilly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

October 30, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 29 you are authorized to purchase from H. Humphreys and Company, the following lumber, it being understood that their bid is the lowest of three received:

300	ft.	white	pine	uppers,	at	$250.00	per	1000	ft.
300	"	"	"	"	"	260.00	"	"	"
400	"	"	"	"	"	310.00	"	"	"
1000	"	"	"	common	"	110.00	"	"	"

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

October 30, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Mr. Edgar Weininger called at the Bureau this morning to make inquiry concerning the Harding medal which he states he ordered some time ago. I explained to him that his order was unavoidably delayed but promised to write you about it. His address is Box 1907, U.S. Soldiers Home, Washington, D.C.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

2—5738

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 31, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward San Francisco Mint thirty obverse fifteen reverse one cent dies ten pairs nickel dies six one cent collars medium ring

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
2—5738 The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

October 31, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Kindly be advised that the following amounts, representing reimbursements from the Special Fund - Charges on Silver Dollar Bullion Sold, on account of expenses on silver dollar recoinage during the month of September, have been deposited to the credit of the appropriations indicated:

$5,848.60 - C.D. #8837, dated 10/20/23, Contingent Expenses, Mint at Philadelphia, 1924.

$21,102.87 - C.D. #9031, dated 10/23/23, Wages of Workmen, Mint at Philadelphia, 1924.

These amounts are deposited without personal credit and should not be taken into your account current.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 1, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing a supposed counterfeit $5.00 gold piece which has been turned over to this Bureau by the Secret Service Division. Will you please forward a check to the Chief, Secret Service Division for the gold content of this coin. Its weight is 119.15 grains.

Respectfully,

N M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition has been approved for advance to you the sum of $500.00 from the appropriation "Freight on Bullion and Coin, Mints and Assay Offices, 1924", to meet the expenses of your institution during the fiscal year 1924.

Respectfully,

T A McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

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November 1, 1923.

Superintendent,

United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith find for your information and guidance as to policy, copy of letter addressed to the Bunker Hill Smelter under date of September 25, 1923, concerning silver deliveries on closing tenders under the Pittman Act.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enc.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 2, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your requisition for stationery and blank forms just received calls for two sizes cloth lined envelopes for assay coins. If your stock of these envelopes now on hand will be sufficient to carry you until such time as a new supply could be obtained on the next semi-annual requisition, such delay would be appreciated. None of the other mint institutions have requisitioned cloth lined envelopes this time; such envelopes are expensive and it is more economical to procure them in large lots, all varieties at once. Please let me know whether it will be necessary to have this lot of envelopes made at this time, also to what date the requested stock will probably carry you.

Respectfully,

M M Kelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 2, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from minor coinage profits, bill of DeLanoy & DeLanoy, amounting to $9.55, covering insurance on shipments of minor coin during the months of July, August, and September, 1923.

While the bill contains items totaling $2.05, covering shipments from the San Francisco Mint, it is not considered of sufficient importance to warrant the rendering of a separate bill for payment by the San Francisco Mint as the total amount is payable from the same fund.

Respectfully,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enc.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 5, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

We are in receipt of two Special Assay coins (Standard Silver Dollars) marked as representing delivery No. 246, October 30, 1923, and two Special Assay Coins(Standard Silver Dollars) representing your Delivery of October 31, 1923, also marked No. 246.

Please advise this office as to the correct number of your delivery of October 31, 1923.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition has been approved for advance to you the following, to meet the expenses of your institution during the fiscal year 1924:

Salaries - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	$ 5,000
Wages of Workmen - - - - - - - - - -	50,000
Contingent Expenses- - - - - - - - -	20,000
Increase of Compensation - - - - - -	7,000
Total - - - -	$82,000

Respectfully,

N. McReally

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 6, 1925.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of June 6, 1925, paragraph 5 of which required that encumbrances against your appropriations (except Salaries and Wages of Workmen) be set up at the time obligations are created, for all liabilities payable from such appropriations, including estimated cost of articles ordered from one of our own mints or assay offices, as well as estimated cost of transportation of passengers, freight, or express. It is now requested that each month's total encumbrances against your Salaries, Wages of Workmen, Increased Compensation, and Contingent appropriations be separately reported on the regular encumbrance schedule.

Monthly recapitulation as called for in paragraph 5 of above mentioned letter has apparently not been received for August and September; kindly forward same at early date and take steps to insure forwarding of similar schedules as early as practicable after the close of each month.

With reference to paragraph 4 of Bureau letter dated June 6, please consider that encumbrances for expressage, freight, etc., have been liquidated, so far as these reports are concerned, upon receipt of notice from this office that the vouchers covering same have been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement. If disallowances are made in settlement, adjustments will be made therefrom.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 6, 1923.

Superintendent U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of the enclosed bill which it is understood covers a bill sent to you last month for payment. Will you please forward to Harris & Ewing a proper form of voucher that this account may be adjusted, unless you have already done so.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 6, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The enclosed draft has been received from the California National Bank , Long Beach, California, to cover the cost of Harding memorial medals. Will you please send four medals, deducting the postage and returning the balance to Mr. K. B. Morgan, Assistant Cashier, California National Bank, Long Beach, California.

Respectfully,

W. D. Rich

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 8, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing copy of letter received this day from the Superintendent relative to Venezuelan coinage. This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the manufacture of this coinage as early as practicable.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 9, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from the minor coinage profits, bills of the American Railway Express Company as follows:

$ 5,000 in new cents, Phila. to St. Louis, Sept. 6, 1923 - - - - - - - - - - -	$ 132.33
50,000 in nickels and $20,000 in cents, Phila. to Cleveland, Sept. 12, 1923-	695.04
25,000 in cents, Phila. to Cleveland, O., October 1, 1923 - - - - - - - - - -	502.16
25,000 in nickels, Phila. to New Orleans, La., October 8, 1923- - - - - - -	410.89
10,000 in nickels, Phila. to Memphis, Tenn., October 8, 1923 - - - - - - - - -	123.53
25,000 in nickels, Phila. to Chicago, Ill., October 10, 1923- - - - - - - - -	210.45
10,000 in nickels, Phila. to Atlanta, Ga., October 11, 1923- - - - - - - - -	102.56
Total- - - -	$2,176.78

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 10, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

This will confirm telephone communication approving your recommendation that the bid of the Metal Sales Corporation be accepted for delivery to your Mint of 50,000 pounds of electrolytic copper at $0.1310 per pound, it being understood that this concern offered low bridge ingots which are more desirable than the ordinary ingots.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from the minor coinage profits, bills of the American Railway Express Company as follows:

$10,000 in new nickels, Philadelphia to St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 10, 1923 - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	$ $1.93
5,000 in cents, Philadelphia to St. Louis, Mo., October 4, 1923- - - - - - - - - - - - - -	132.33
Total- - - -	$224.26

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

10 Separate Messages

November 12, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " San Francisco, Cal.
Assayer in Charge, U.S. Mint, Carson City, Nevada.
" " " " " New Orleans, La.
" " " " Assay Office, Helena, Montana
" " " " " " Boise, Idaho
" " " " " " Salt Lake City, Utah.
" " " " " " Seattle, Washington.
" " " " " " Deadwood, South Dakota.
Superintendent, U.S. Assay Office, New York City.

Honorable Robert J. Grant of Denver today appointed Director of the Mint

M. M. O'Reilly

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
2—5738
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2426

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 14, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Form #125, Record of Coins Reserved for Annual Assay, for the months of September and October, 1923, have not been received for your institution. Kindly forward same at an early date. It will be appreciated if, in future, these reports are rendered promptly at the close of each month.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 14, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am returning herewith a medal returned to this office by the Coast Guard. You will observe that the pivot attaching the medal to the bar is entirely too fragile and slender. The representative of the Coast Guard reported to this Bureau that the same complaint has been received from three other parties to whom these medals have been awarded.

Will you please take steps immediately to see that the attachments used in connecting these medals with the bar are made much more secure, and that the construction of the medal be accomplished in a more careful and workmanlike manner.

As soon as the medal enclosed is repaired please return it to the Bureau.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 15, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of November 13 you are authorized to accept the bid of Guggenheim Brothers covering 100,000 pounds of best grade electrolytic ingot copper, at $0.13525 per pound, it being understood that this is the lower of two bids received.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 15, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of November 14, 1923, you are authorized to accept the accept the bid of John M. Melloy's Sons covering 150 tin cups at a cost of $21.88, it being understood that this is the lower of two bids received.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 15, 1924.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of November 12 in which you state that at the present time your shipments will require 150 to 200 locks per day, and if the Treasury Department will furnish sufficient K locks they will be made use of, please inform this Bureau of the number of K locks you would like to have sent to Philadelphia. When this report is received from you the Chief Clerk of the Treasury Department will be requested to supply you with the same.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly
Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 15, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing correspondence received from the Third Assistant Postmaster General relative to defective condition of certain registered mail pouches from your Mint.

It is suggested that if you have not a sufficient number of metal containers for address cards that you make requisition on the Postmaster at Philadelphia. If the Postmaster has not a sufficient quantity of the metal containers please notify the Bureau and the matter will be taken up with the Post Office Department.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly,

Actg Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 16, 1923.

The Brown Instrument Company,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sirs:

Please quote your price for two 12 inch porcelain tubes, your catalogue No. 8, figure 32, for Brown Thermo-Couples, delivered at the Office of the Director of the Mint, Washington, D.C.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 14, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

On October 29, 1923 this Bureau returned to you the contracts of Chalfant & Scott, Daniel J. Grugan, and the Standard Ice Manufacturing Company for further correction called for by the Solicitor of the Treasury. Will you please look into the matter and have the contracts returned to this Bureau as soon as possible.

This office has no record of having received the bonds requested to cover the following contracts:

The Troy Steam Laundry
Sheeler-Hemsher Company
Crew Levick Company
Union Petroleum Company
The Atlantic Refining Company.

Respectfully,

M M. O'Reilly

Actg Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 17, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from the minor coinage profits, bills of the American Railway Express Company as follows:

$30,000 in nickels, $25,000 in cents, Phila. to Detroit, Mich., Sept. 17, 1923; $30,000 in nickels, Sept. 19, 1923----	$1,043.33
5,000 in nickels, Oct. 4th and $10,000 in nickels, Oct. 15, 1923; Phila. to Memphis, Tenn. ----------	161.25
15,000 in new cents, Phila. to Cincinnati, O., Oct. 9, 1923----------	317.30
5,000 in nickels, Phila. to Little Rock, Ark., Oct. 11, 1923----------	65.22
10,000 in nickels, Phila. to Louisville, Ky., Oct. 15, 1923----------	82.83
20,000 in cents, Phila. to Chicago, Ill., Oct. 18, 1923 ----------	554.40
Total---------	$2,224.33

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 17, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to Bureau letter of November 14 requesting you to forward form #125, Record of Coins Reserved For Annual Assay, I have to request that you please excuse having this letter forwarded. It was inadvertently allowed to go through. The reports were received promptly as usual.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 17, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Enclosed please find $1.10 to cover the cost of the medal forwarded by you and received at this Bureau today.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 19, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of November 17 you are authorized to accept the bid of Alloys & Products, Inc., covering 4,000 pounds of Phosphor-copper alloy to be used in the minor coinage, at 18¼ cents per pound, it being understood that this is the lowest of four bids received.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 21, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am forwarding today by express 45.00 of gold coin scrap value $800.00, together with 119.00 ounces of silver coin scrap (107.10 fine ounces) and two chloride bars weighing 73.00 ounces, making the total of 180.10 fine ounces of silver forwarded.

The following accounts should be credited to San Francisco, Denver and Philadelphia respectively, being the value of metal resulting from special assay coins forwarded to the Bureau up to and including September 30, 1923.

San Francisco

Standard Silver Dollar coinage metal . . .	$ 60.00
Subsidiary coinage metal	21.20

Denver

Gold Coin, Double Eagles	600.00
Standard Silver Dollar coinage metal . . .	6.00

Philadelphia

Gold Coin, Double Eagles	120.00
Standard Silver Dollar coinage metal . . .	90.00
Subsidiary coinage metal	6.60

Applying the balance of $1.63 credited to the subsidiary account of the Bureau at the Philadelphia Mint with 20.63% fine ounces (subsidiary value $26.47) plus 120.656 fine ounces (Standard Silver Dollar value $156.00) and deducting this total of 141.25 fine ounces from the 180.10 ounces forwarded, please return the balance of 38.85 ounces in proof silver, 5 ounces in strip form and the remainder in shot.

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Please proceed to make these entries without formal transfer, and notify San Francisco and Denver when the transfers have been made.

Respectfully,

H. H. Rice

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 23, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Kindly be advised that the following amounts, representing reimbursements from the Special Fund - Charges on Silver Dollar Bullion Sold, on account of expenses on silver dollar recoinage during the month of October, 1923, have been deposited to the credit of the appropriations indicated:

$ 9,001.42 - C.D. #10404, dated 11/16/23, Contingent Expenses, Mint at Philadelphia, 1924.

24,733.66 - C.D. #10404, dated 11/16/23, Wages of Workmen, Mint at Philadelphia, 1924."

These amounts are deposited without personal credit and should not be taken into your account current.

Respectfully,

A. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 23, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am returning herewith your recommendation that Patrick J. Costello be granted leave of absence without pay beginning January 1, 1924, and have to request that you include in this letter record of Mr. Costello's absence, annual, sick, and without pay, for the last three years in order that this application may be submitted in this form to the Secretary's office for consideration.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 24, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, amount $1.21, covering transportation charges on 1 case envelopes, Rockville, Conn. to Philadelphia, Pa., July 26, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

November 24, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following bills have this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation:

1 box, clay goods, Denver to Philadelphia, 8/29/23, The Baltimore & Ohio R.R. Co., - - - -	$1.51
1 crate, printed shipping tags, Wash. to Phila., 9/7/23, The Baltimore & Ohio R.R. Co., - - - -	.50
1 box flake shellac, Wash. to Phila., 10/18/23, The Pennsylvania R.R. Co., - - - - - - - - - -	.50
Total- - - - -	$2.51

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 24, 1923.

ALL MINT SERVICE INSTITUTIONS

Gentlemen:

The following circular letter from the Superintendent of Supplies, General Supply Committee, is quoted for your information.

"The supply of serviceable typewriting machines available for transfer having been exhausted, the purchase of machines from commercial dealers in accordance with existing provisions of law will be authorized. It should be understood, however, that clearance on all purchases must continue to be obtained from the General Supply Committee and that when the purchasing office does not have an old machine for exchange such an exchange machine must be secured from the Committee.

(signed) Robt. LeFevre
Superintendent of Supplies."

Respectfully,

F. McKelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 24, 1923.

ALL MINT SERVICE INSTITUTIONS:

Sirs:

I am enclosing Circular letter from the Chief Clerk, Treasury Department, dated November 22, which is self-explanatory.

In connection with this Circular please understand that the regular monthly report of changes which you ~~are~~ have been sending to the Bureau will be continued. In executing this report will you please indicate the date upon which the oath was taken, in the case of new employees, and the date upon which pay became effective, and indicate each change of pay with effective date in the case of regular employees.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 26, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.
San Francisco, Calif.
Denver, Colorado.
U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge,
United States Mint,
New Orleans, La.
Carson City, Nevada.
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise, Idaho,
Deadwood, S. Dak.
Helena, Montana,
Seattle, Wash.
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Sirs:

Please forward the special return, form 51 for use in making the preliminary estimate of gold and silver production in 1923, viz., receipts for 11 months (actual figures) and an estimate for December, so as to reach Washington as early in December as practical.

Respectfully,

M McLaughlin

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Will you please advise the Bureau if you have record of receiving a postal money order from Geo. F. Hambridge, Danbury, Connecticut, for $3.04. If so, will you please advise the Bureau.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 27, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of this instant approving the purchase of 225,000 pounds of nickel and 150,000 pounds of bronze blanks in addition to the amounts originally authorized by this Bureau. It is understood that the price of the nickel blanks is 51¢ per lb., and the price of the bronze blanks 36¢ per lb.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 30, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of November 28 you are authorized to purchase from the East End Waste Company 2,000 pounds of white rags at 11¢ a pound, it being understood that this is the lowest of three bids received.

You are also authorized to purchase 12 sheet steel boxes from the Standard Pressed Steel Company at $26.98 each, it being understood that you desire to try them out to determine whethey they would prove more economical than the copper lined wooden boxes which you have used heretofore.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

December 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

It is noted from your report of November 12, 1923, that the quantity of undelivered silver as of October 31 on account of purchases under the Pittman Act from the United States Smelting, Refining & Mining Co, was 241,780.35 ounces. It is presumed that this quantity includes the undeliverable amount of 38,281 ounces mentioned in Bureau letter to you dated June 29, 1923. If such is the case will you kindly amend your record of acceptances by deducting 38,281 ounces in order to arrive at the net total of acceptances and show such result in your report of undelivered balances as of November 30.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

December 1, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith a letter received from the Chemical National Bank relative to coinage for Ecuador. This Bureau has advised the Bank that it will be necessary for the request to come through the usual channels before coinage would be undertaken. The Bank has, further, been advised that you will be requested to give such information as you find possible based upon the indefinite inquiry contained in the letter as to the alloy of the proposed coin.

Will you please, with the return of this letter, advise the Bureau what reply to make to the bank covering the technical aspect of the inquiry as far as possible, and including instructions regarding the dies.

Respectfully,

D. Roberts

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 3, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of December 1, 1923, you are authorized to accept the bid of the International Nickel Company to furnish your mint with 22,046 pounds of screened shot at $0.25 per pound, it being understood that this is the lowest of four bids received.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 5, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition has been approved for advance to you the following, to meet the expenses of your institution during the fiscal year 1924:

Salaries - - - - - - - - - - - -	$ 5,000.00
Wages of Workmen - - - - - - - -	55,000.00
Contingent Expenses- - - - - -	20,000.00
Increase of Compensation - - -	7,000.00
Total - - -	$87,000.00

Respectfully,

M. W. Ridgely

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 5, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You are hereby authorized to transfer on your books on December 6 to San Francisco Mint, 1,200,000 ounces silver purchased under the Pittman Act of April 23, 1918, at $1 per ounce; and also to transfer to your books from the mint at San Francisco, 1,200,000 ounces subsidiary silver at 63¢ per ounce, total value $756,000.

These are book transfers only; no bullion will be shipped; the contra entries for both transactions will be made on the books of the San Francisco Mint; there will be no change in the combined totals (at the two mints) of subsidiary bullion nor of silver dollar bullion.

These transfers are made in order that silver bullion available for subsidiary coinage now on hand, but not at the particular location where needed, may be used, thus avoiding the purchase of additional bullion for delivery at the point where needed.

Please make reference on your records to this authority for making these transfers, and forward a copy of this letter with your quarterly account current.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 4, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In response to your request of December 3 you are hereby authorized to accept the proposal of the following firms for supplying your Mint with lumber:-

Watson Malone & Sons:

1,000 ft., 1 x 12" white pine
select lumber at ----$135.00 per M.

Howard Kethham:

400 feet, 2 x 12" long leaf
yellow pine at ----- $40.00 per M.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 5, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

With further reference to Bureau letter of November 14 and your reply of November 22, this office would appreciate it very much if you will expedite the bonds covering contracts with the following-named firms:

The Troy Steam Laundry
Sheeler-Hemsher Company
Crew Levick Company
Union Petroleum Company
The Atlantic Refining Company

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith find salaries pay roll for the first half of September for the approval of the Superintendent and return. In this connection attention is invited to the requirement that pay rolls, as well as other vouchers, be completed, including approvals, prior to payment.

On pay rolls for the last half of July, Samuel J. Walker, machinest, at $4.50, is paid increased compensation from June 25; the amount thereof accruing in June, $4.60, should have been charged to the 1923 appropriation instead of the 1924 appropriation. No action need be taken by you concerning this; any necessary adjustment will be made by the General Accounting Office.

The transactions under the 1922 contingent appropriation should have been stated in a separate column of one of the other ordinary account current forms instead of being put on separate sheet. This information is for future guidance.

Voucher No. 817, in favor of Walker & Kepler, is for two 16" electric fans at $21.38 each. Fans which apparently conform to the same specifications as for those purchased could have been obtained under general supply contract from the Westinghouse Electric Co. at $15.65 each delivered in Philadelphia. Reference is made to General Supply Schedule, Item No. 6070.

Voucher No. 22, in favor of Western Union Telegraph Co. includes a 13 word message to Denver for which 66¢ was paid. The correct charge apparently is 43¢, which would indicate over payment of 25¢.

Please forward meter readings to support voucher No. 60 in favor of United Gas Improvement Co. for gas furnished you during the month of August.

Voucher No. 75, in favor of M. M. Gifford Mfg. Co. is for 10,000 shipping tags, $25; 3 items are listed on the voucher, the third item being 6,000 No. 5 tags at $3.25 -- $21. The correct computation gives $19.50, an apparent over payment of $1.50.

Attention is invited to the following list of names of employees who apparently have received pay for annual leave in excess of 30 days. This

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list is extracted from the report of absences for the month of September.

No.	Name	Total Leave: Days	Hrs	Mins.	Excess Leave.		
16	- Killgore, F. J.	30		15			15 mins.
28	- Stites, W. M.	30		45			45
73	- Espenship, C. B.	30		15			15
95	- Henry, W. J.	30		15			15
106	- Thomas, H.	30		22			22
109	- Conahan, J. A.	30		30			30
120	- Gerold, R. J.	30		15			15
137	- Hartzell, E. M.	30-		30			30
139	- Knight W. G.	30		15			15
140	- Reilly, T. J.	30		30			30
145	- Ratzke, H. A.	30		15			15
157	- Dewinton, L.	30		15			15
159	- Enright, J. F.	30		15			15
163	- Hedelt, F. V.	30		15			15
172	- Robinson, R. A.	30		45			45
176	- Troyer, A. J.	30		30			30
179	- Hess J. C.	30		45			45
180	- Leahy, P. L.	30		45			45
202	- Brangan, E.	30		15			15
203	- Carr, W. B.	30	1			1 hr.	
212	- Barth, C. M.	30		30			30
221	- Coleman, W. J.	30	1			1	
226	- Daily, P.	30		30			30
237	- Gentel, S. A.	30		15			15
241	- Holton, Chas. A.	30		30			30
242	- Huckel, C. E.	30	1	15		1	15
253	- McConkey, E. E.	30		15			15
277	- Sassany, J.	30		55			55
281	- Strain, Hugh A.	30		30			30
287	- Wilson, C. J.	30		45			45
290	- Hogan, Jas. P.	30	1	15		1	15
420	- McClister, S.	30		15			15
424	- Hackett, M.	30		30			30
431	- Rooney, M. R.	30		30			30
433	- Williams, M. E.	30		15			15
437	- Grimes, S. V.	30	2			2	
439	- Langton, K.	30		15			15
440	- McDowell, T.	30		30			30
444	- McHenny, M. C.	30	1			1	
446	- Rousseau, A. V. D.	30		30			30

A number of discrepancies are noted on the monthly absence reports, such for example, as in the case of No. 91, where the absence without pay in August is not noted in the Current Month column although the figures in the total column appear to be correct.

James P. Hogan, helper at $4.50 per diem, was checked on pay roll for absence without pay as follows: July 7 days, August 5/8 day, September 1-1/8 day, total 8-6/8 days. The Absence Report for the month of September gives total absence without pay as 7-5/8 day, being a difference of 1-1/8 days.

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Michael A. Foley, helper at $4.50 per diem, was checked on pay roll for the first half of September for 5 days without pay. This does not appear on the absence report.

In endeavoring to check the transfers in and out of the bullion fund with the Treasurer's office, a difference of 25¢ on each side of the account was found. This difference appears to occur on account of cash transactions with the Cleveland Federal Reserve Bank. On the receipts side of the cash account pertaining to your bullion fund appears an item of $9.45 received on account of shortages of shipments to Chicago of $4. and Cleveland $5.45, total $9.45 According to the records of the Treasurer's office, the Cleveland item is $5.20 instead of $5.45. On the issue side of your bullion cash account is a separate item of 25¢ stated as "Over on shipments to F. R. Bank, Cleveland." Would be pleased to receive further information concerning this transaction.

Deposit No. 436, made by Ostby & Barton Co., 560.5 ounces white gold on which an extra charge of $1 was imposed. The extra charge in this case apparently should have been $1.30.

Deposit No. 516, made by the Bauman-Massa Jewelry Co., consists of 43.77 ounces white gold upon which there was imposed three separate charges of $1 each; one for melting, one for toughening, and one extra; As the loss in melting was quite small, the reason for the toughening or the extra charge is not apparent.

Deposits No. 757 and 971 are recorded as in favor of "M. R. T. Co." Please advise if these initials are the real name of the company or whether they are merely abbreviations. If abbreviations, the name should have been more fully stated.

Herewith is being returned miner's affidavit of the Old Dominion Co. for 7035.20 ounces silver from the Old Dominion mine on hand January 17, 1920, at the Old Dominion smelter. The affidavit should be amended to include clause certifying that payment had been made at not less than $1 per ounce, etc. This affidavit is part of 52,494.75 ounces miners' affidavits forwarded you by the A. S. & R. Co. for Phelps Dodge Corporation September 4, 1923 and filed by you with your August accounts. It is suggested that the quantity of 7035.20 ounces be deducted on your record of miners' affidavits filed.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enc:

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December 8, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of December 7, and confirming telephone communication of that date, you are authorized to purchase from Streeter, Hackney & Co., 25 dozen pairs of buckskin gloves at $1.00 a pair, it being understood that this is the lower of two bids received.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Keeffe

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 10, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The Secretary's office has requested an abstract of the official record of Earl B. Moyer, transferred from the rolls of your mint to the Civil Service Commission. Will you kindly execute the enclosed form in duplicate and return the same to the Bureau at your early convenience.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant

R. J. Grant
Director of the Mint.

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December 11, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In future will you please make monthly report, in letter form, concerning the results of deposit melting as required by Mint Service regulations (see page 8). This report is in lieu of form 936 and should be in approximately the following wording:

> The melting records for the month of - - - - - - have been examined by - - - - . The differences in weight before and after melting and the percentages of loss in melting are usual and fairly result from the nature of the deposit in each case.

Any exceptions to the above certificate to be specified and be fully explained in the letter.

Respectfully,

L. T. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

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December 11, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Enclosed please find letter received from the Chemical National Bank relative to the proposed coinage for Ecuador. The Bank calls attention to the fact that the dimensions of the coins quoted upon are at variance with the dimensions indicated in the Bank's letter. The quantity of coins is also different.

The Bank has been advised that the cost of the dies cannot be estimated until there is at the disposal of the Mint more accurate information as to the designs and devices to be used. I do not think it would be expedient to make the master dies for this coinage without the usual charge.

With the return of the enclosed letter will you please give the Bureau a revised estimate.

Respectfully,

M. J. GRANT
Director of the Mint.

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December 12, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of December 11 you are authorized to purchase from the Crocker-Wheeler Company 2 1/3 H.P. motors, at $50.25 each to be used on the two automatic weighing machines being constructed at your institution for the Mint in San Francisco. It is understood that this is the lower of two bids received.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant
Director of the Mint.

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December 13, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from minor coinage profits, bill of DeLancy & DeLancy, amounting to $10.41, covering insurance on shipments of minor coin during the month of October 1923.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

enc.

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December 14, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am returning herewith purchase order covering 50,000 yards of drilling at $0.16 a yard, less 15%, with the request that a new order be forwarded for this material at $0.1475 a yard, less 15%, it being understood in telephone communication with you today that the Depot Quartermaster is in position to furnish the drilling at that price.

Respectfully,

A. J. Grant
Director of the Mint.

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December 14, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from the minor coinage profits, bills of the American Railway Express Company as follows:

$10,000 in new nickels, Phila. to Atlanta, Ga., September 17, 1923 - - - - - - - - - - - -	$102.58
5,000 in nickels, Phila. to Minneapolis, Minn., September 24, 1923- - - - - - - -	62.11
5,000 in nickels, Phila. to Minneapolis, Minn., October 13, 1923- - - - - - - - - -	62.11
20,000 in nickels, Phila. to Chicago, Ill., October 25, 1923 - - - - - - - - - - - - -	460.92
5,000 in nickels, Phila. to Jacksonville, Fla., October 29, 1923 - - - - - - - - - - - - -	56.78
25,000 in nickels, Phila. to Chicago, Ill., November 7, 1923, and $20,000 in cents, Phila. to Chicago, Ill., Nov. 8, 1923- -	795.19
25,000 in nickels, Phila. to New Orleans, La., November 8, 1923 - - - - - - - - - - - - -	356.41
Total- - - - - -	$1,916.10

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

enc.
s.

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December 15, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of December 8th concerning method of handling encumbrances against the salaries, wages, and increased compensation appropriations, please be advised that the Bureau needs the total amount, or a close approximation, that accrues during each calendar month, under each appropriation, whether or not it is actually paid. Any necessary adjustment, up or down, on a month's reported encumbrance can be made when the total amount of payroll for the last half of the calendar month has been determined. Adjustments, also cash disbursements, should be reported as of the month in which made, not as of the period in which compensation accrues.

Respectfully,

R. J. GRANT,
Director of the Mint.

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December 17, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following bills of The Pennsylvania Railroad Company have this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from the appropriations indicated:

1 box stationery and 4 bundles manila paper, Washington to Phila., May 29, 1923. - Contingent Expenses, Mint at Philadelphia, 1923 - - - - - - - - - - - - $3.32

5 boxes, 25M lead seals, Newark, N.J. to Philadelphia, Sept. 24, 1923 - Contingent Expenses, Mint at Philadelphia, 1924 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1.93

2 boxes stationery, 1 box ink, 2 crates ink, Washington to Philadelphia, Pa., November 6, 1923 - Contingent Expenses, Mint at Philadelphia, 1924 - - - - - - - 4.15

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

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December 18, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following bills of the American Railway Express Company have this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation:

1 pkg. 12 Harding Medals, Phila. to Wash., D. C., Sept. 25, 1923 - -	$ .45
1 box, plaster casts of Gilbert's medal, Phila. to Wash. Oct.25,1923-	.62
1 pkg. 30 silver life saving medals, Wash.,D.C. to Phila. Nov. 1, 1923 -	.67
Total - - - -	$1.74

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 19, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of December 18 you are authorized to accept the bid of the Metals Sales Corporation to furnish your mint with 100,000 pounds of best grade electrolytic copper for the minor coinage, 10% of which is to be in low-bridge ingots, at $0.13 3/8 a pound; it being understood that this is the lower of two bids received.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant
Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

11 separate messages

December 20, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint, Philadelphia
" " " Denver, Colorado.
" " " San Francisco, California.
" " Assay Office, New York City
Assayer in Charge, U.S. Mint, Carson City, Nevada.
" " " " " New Orleans, La.
" " " " Assay Office, Seattle, Washington
" " " " " " Boise, Idaho
" " " " " " Helena, Montana
" " " " " " Deadwood, S.D.
" " " " " " Salt Lake City, Utah.

Authorized excuse all who can be spared all day Monday December twenty fourth and pay accrued earnings to that date

Grant Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Appropriation for Cents Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123

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December 20, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In connection with paragraph 5 of your letter of the 15th instant concerning your accounts for the September quarter, am enclosing herewith for your information, copy of letter addressed to the Western Union Telegraph Co. pertaining to the apparant overcharge on message to Denver.

With reference to paragraph 6, it is requested that meter readings be forwarded to support the first item on the voucher (meter No. 534429); such readings were not received with those for the other meters.

Respectfully,

R. J. GRANT,
Director of the Mint.

Enc:

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December 20, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing a sample medal belonging to Secretary Mellon. He has requested that you strike 100 of these medals and forward them to him together with your account for the same.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant
Director of the Mint.

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December 21, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of December 20 you are authorized to accept the bid of the Littauer Glove Corporation to furnish your mint with 50 dozen pairs of reversible buckskin mittens at the rate of 98¢ a pair, it being understood that this is the lower of two bids received.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant
Director of the Mint.

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December 21, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Kindly be advised that the following amount, representing reimbursement from the Special Fund - Charges on Silver Dollar Bullion Sold, on account of expenses incident to the recoinage of standard silver dollars during the month of November 1923 has been deposited to the credit of the appropriation indicated:

$10,216.30 - C.D. #11759, dated Dec.13,1923.
Contingent Expenses, Mint at Philadelphia,
1924.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

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December 21, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of December 15 relative to the the partial account for the automatic weighing machine which you are manufacturing for the Mint at San Francisco, please prepare and forward to the Bureau a voucher for that part of the bill which you desire to have adjusted at this time. It is understood that payment for this automatic weighing machine is to be made from the contingent fund of the Mint at San Francisco, 1923.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant
Director of the Mint.

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December 22, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I am enclosing for your information correspondence received from the Third Assistant Postmaster General. Will you please have attention given to the request of Mr. Peckham in order that his medals may be sent to him as soon as possible. The Third Assistant Postmaster General has been advised that you are adjusting this matter.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant
Director of the Mint.

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December 24, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from the minor coinage profits, bill of the American Railway Express Co., amount $89.98, covering transportation charges on the following shipments:

$1,000 in cents, Phila. to Birmingham, Ala., November 7, 1923.

$5,000 in nickels, Phila. to Jacksonville, Fla., November 19, 1923.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

Enc.

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December 27, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Kindly be advised that the following amount, representing reimbursement from the Special Fund - Charges on Silver Dollar Bullion Sold, on account of expenses incident to the recoinage of standard silver dollars during the month of November 1923 has been deposited to the credit of the appropriation indicated:

$20,531.56 - C.D. #11975, dated 12/18/23.
Wages of Workmen, Mint at Philadelphia, 1924.

Respectfully,

A. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

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December 27, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In response to your request you are authorized to accept the proposal of the R. L. Polk Company to furnish your Mint with one copy of the Philadelphia City and Business Directory at $21.00, and to accept the proposal of the Rand McNally Company to furnish your Mint with one copy of the Rand McNally Bankers' Directory at $15.00. It has been ascertained by this Bureau that no discount is obtainable upon the price of the Rand McNally Directory.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant
Director of the Mint.

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December 29, 1923.

Superintendent,

U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia.

Sir:

Responding to your request of December 28, you are authorized to invite proposals for supplying a modern type of addressograph to the mint, it being understood that you will submit the proposals to this office for consideration before purchase is made.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant

R. J. GRANT,
Director of the Mint.

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December 29, 1923.

The Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Bill of The Pullman Company, amount $2.26, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation. Bill in question covers accomodations furnished Mr. George T. Morgan from Washington to Philadelphia, October 31 and November 1, 1923.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

December 29, 1923.

Superintenden,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from the minor coinage profits, bill of the American Railway Express Co., amount $826.21, covering transportation charges on the following shipments:

$10,000 in nickels and $1,000 in cents, Philadelphia, Pa. to Louisville, Ky., Nov. 8, 1923.

$25,000 in nickels and $20,000 in cents, Philadelphia, Pa. to Chicago, Ill., Nov. 19, 1923.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

Enc.

San Francisco Mint

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

BE WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 4, 1922. 3

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized purchase Porter seals

O'Reilly

Acting Director

AL BUSINESS.
ERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.

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January 4, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of your certification for increased compensation in the case of Warren H. Taylor recently transferred to your Mint from the New York Assay Office. Mr. Taylor's transfer will not necessitate authorization by the Secretary of the Treasury in order to pay him the increased compensation, as authority for such payment to Mr. Taylor has already been granted.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 6, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Please be advised that it will no longer be necessary to send in to the Bureau the weekly telegraphic reports in regard to coinage.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

January 9, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1923 has been approved in the following sums;

Salaries	$ 4,000.00
Wages of Workmen	20,000.00
Contingent Expenses	10,000.00
Increase of Compensation	2,500.00
T o t a l	$36,500.00

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 10, 1923.

~~Superintendent~~
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company sixty five thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O'Reilly

Acting Director

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FFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR ~~Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.~~
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.
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January 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Co., amount $2.75, covering transportation charges on 10 dollar dies from Philadelphia, December 2, 1922, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,
January 12, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Parker Hill and Sullivan Company seventy two thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

Samuels

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OK

OFFICIAL BUSINESS:
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2158.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized purchase crucibles from Dixon Crucible Company

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 17, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Replying telegram sixteenth authorized purchase copper from the lowest bidder

O' Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 18, 1923.

Superintendent Mint,
~~Denver, Colorado.~~
San Francisco, Cal

Understand new vault space available to you this month stop In addition to your own stock and estimating receipts Pittman bullion at present rate to November next will you have space available for crude bullion or silver dollars or both from Denver and how much. Wire answer today.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cons. Ex. Mint 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
January 18, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Your telegram seventeenth indicates that telegram of sixteenth intended to ask authority to purchase copper from your minor coinage metal stock This you are authorized to do instead of purchasing in open market as recommended your telegram seventeenth

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
9—5702 The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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January 18, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the Philadelphia Mint, amount $525.00, covering cost of 5000 $1 coin bags furnished, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,
January 16, 1923.

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to accept offer American Smelting Refining Company to furnish ~~xxx~~ twenty-two tons alloy copper at fourteen ninety delivered.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1923.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR .....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124.

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January 18, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Referring to your telegrams of today relative to the purchase of copper, I beg to call your attention to your telegram of January 16, in which you refer to the use of your minor coinage metal fund. This occassioned the understanding in the Bureau that you intended the use of your fund instead of the use of the stock of minor coinage metal. Upon receipt of your last telegram today requesting authority to proceed with the negotiations opened with the American Smelting & Refining Company to supply copper you were authorized to accept the same in accordance with copy of telegram enclosed.

In this connection please let me call your attention to the very strict regulation of obtaining competitive bids. The settlement of your account by the auditor's office is in danger of being delayed in the absence of any evidence that competitive bids were obtained in supplying this copper. This Bureau would suggest that in all cases competitive bids be obtained. If in your judgment other than the lowest is more advantageous to the Government and you prefer to accept it, your recommendation to this effect will be approved.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 19, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Your letter of January 11 and 6.40 ounces of certificate bar samples representing Mint Fine Gold Melts Nos. 54, 59, 64 and 69 have been received.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Q.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 20, 1923

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Ranlett at nine hundred without bonus approved
See Bureau letter January eleventh relative increased compensation

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 20, 1923.

Superintendent United States Mint,
San Francisco, California

Authorized purchase one hundred argand burners from Coors

Porcelain Company

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

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January 30, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Comparison of your contingent appropriation obligations for the first half of the current fiscal year with reimbursements thereto from the silver dollar fund indicates net obligations against the appropriation of only about $16,000.

It is not contemplated that bills against the silver dollar fund will be rendered for more than is actually needed to meet the year's obligations against the contingent and wages appropriations. It is therefore requested that future bills be rendered on this basis rather than for the entire amounts used in making silver dollars. The itemized bills need not include all items.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITE WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company sixty two thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OK

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California;

Authorized appoint two special guards one hundred per month payable from special silver fund

O'Reilly

Acting Director

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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Confidential

January 23, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith copies of correspondence. These copies are being sent to you for your information and in order that you may be advised in advance of the possible offer of this gold to your mint. The correspondence is to be considered by you in connection with the restrictions now in effect in regard to the receipt of gold known or suspected to be of Soviet origin.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company forty three thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Laplant approved

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 25, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Coats approved

O'Reilly
Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

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January 25, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of January 17th will state that assayer's record book #958, of melts for parting, abolished in June, 1911, has not been replaced by another book. Since this is a copy of data on the assayer's transcript sheets, and book record is not kept at other of our institutions, it is suggested that the book record be discontinued at San Francisco and that the file of transcripts be directly consulted when there is occasion for reference to the record of reported finenesses. Necessity for reference to the assayer's record of melts for parting would appear to be comparatively temporary. Unnecessary transcribing of data from one record to another not only results in waste but adds to the liability of error.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 25, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

The following bills of the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railway Co. have been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation;

For transportation of;
6 gas burners from Elizabeth, N.J.
to San Francisco, Oct. 26, 1922 $ 3.62

stationery, etc., from Washington
to San Francisco, Nov, 4, 1922 $19.53

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 26, 1923.

Hon. F.E. Scobey,
Director of the Mint,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Bids SanFrancisco safe to be opened January thirty first All well

M. M. O'Reilly

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

January 30, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from American Smelting and Refining Company one million five hundred thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

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January 30, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Your letter of January 23, 1923, together with 8.40 ounces Certificate Bar Samples representing Mint Fine Gold Melts Nos. 54, 59, 64 and 69, have been received.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 31, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 9.20 ounces of Certificate Bar Samples, representing fine gold mass melts Nos. 75, 80 85 and 90, together with your letter of January 25, 1923, relative to the same.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

C. Acting Director of the Mint.

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January 31, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I am returning herewith formal recommendation for appointment of J. F. LaPlant and Stewart Coats as special guards, having attached to it a memorandum received from the appointment room. Will you please return the formal letters with the endorsement of the District Secretary. It is understood that these men are already employed, and I would suggest that approval of the District Secretary could be obtained by explaining that if the men were not taken from an eligible list it was because men of their qualification could not be found on the list and it was therefore necessary to employ these able-bodied men instead. Upon the return of these requests with the approval of the District Secretary the Bureau will endeavor to get the formal approval of the Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Herewith please find affidavits and copies of letters accompanying your letter of January 25th concerning claim for difference between amount paid for silver in deposits made by the Canadian Bank of Commerce for the Flume Dredge Company, and the Pittman price of silver. These papers will satisfactorily evidence domestic production under the terms of the Pittman Act and you are authorized to pay the difference between the amount originally paid and Pittman Act price for the silver in question. This transaction should be handled similarly to the one previously brought to the attention of the Bureau. Notations and references should be sufficient to permit tracing the items should that become necessary.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1923 has been approved in the following sums;

Salaries	$ 1,800.00
Wages of Workmen	10,000.00
Contingent Expenses	2,000.00
Increase of Compensation	2,640.00
T o t a l	$16,440.00

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 1, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 9.210 ounces of Certificate Bar Samples, representing Mint Fine Gold melts Nos. 74, 79, 84 and 89, together with your letter of January 26, relative to the same.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

C.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

February 2, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized restore John F Kirby to pay status with bonus

M. M. O'Reilly
Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

February 3, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
~~Mint~~ San Francisco, California.

Authorized purchase Bates Automatic numbering machine from General Supply Catalogue if possible

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

February 5, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Company eighty thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O' Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124.

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February 5, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of January 29, 1923, together with 10.00 ounces of Certificate Bar samples representing Mint Fine Gold Melts Nos. 94. 99, 104, 109 and 114.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Q. Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,
February 7, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company sixty eight thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O'Reilly
Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.

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February 9, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

The following bills of the American Railway Express Company have been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation;

For transportation of.-
10 beams complete, for automatic weighing machines from Philadelphia, Dec. 29, 1922 ($1.76) and 20 dollar dies from Philadelphia, Dec. 30, 1922 ($5.15) $6.91

20 dollar dies and 5 double eagle dies from Philadelphia, Dec. 7, 1922 $6.00

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

A recent ruling of the General Accounting Office requires that all vouchers for disbursements have the approval blank filled in, as well as the certification of receipt, etc. Herewith are vouchers pertaining to your accounts for the quarter ended December 31, 1922, with request that approval blanks be filled in as to amount and signature.

October voucher #38, favor of the Pacific Metal Works, amount $27.35, for soft copper and December voucher #9, favor of H. and L. Block, amount $123.00, for horsehide gloves. Please advise why lowest bids were not accepted on these purchases.

December voucher #38, favor of J. Mullany & Co. It is noted that although bids of R. W. Martenet were accepted, voucher is made in favor of J. Mullany & Co. Explanation is requested.

Please forward Assayer's reports on sweeps sold for the quarter ended December 31, 1922.

Herewith is affidavit supporting Pittman silver deposit #289. Please have number of ounces inserted.

Herewith find affidavits #2545, 2549 and 2552 of lot totaling 229,737.96 ounces and #2608 of lot totaling 161,506.27 ounces of the American Melting Securities Co., Selby Plant, pertaining to the November accounts. Please have name of mine indicated on these affidavits.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 13, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 8.40 ounces certificate bar samples representing fine gold mass melts Nos. 94, 99, 104 and 109, forwarded with your letter of February 7, 1923.

Respectfully,

M. McKelly

Q.

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
February 14, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company fifty eight thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
2—5708
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124.

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February 14, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railway Company, amount $2.29, covering transportation charges on 1 bundle wrapping paper from Washington, November 11, 1922, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 14, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bills of the Philadelphia Mint for the following items have been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your appropriations as indicated:

Contingent Expenses, 1922

For 10 beams for automatic weighing machines furnished	$520.00

Contingent Expenses, 1923

For 12 dollar collars for large ring furnished	48.00
For 12 dollar size baskets for automatic weighing machines	180.00

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

February 15, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company forty eight thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS,
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

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February 15, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of 5.40 ounces certificate bar samples forwarded by you January 11, 1923, and 8.40 ounces under date of January 23, 1923, each marked as representing melts Nos. 54, 59, 64 and 69.

There are also 10.00 ounces forwarded January 29, 1923 and 8.40 ounces forwarded February 7, 1923, marked in duplicate as representing fine gold mass melts Nos. 94, 99, 104 and 109.

As the reported finenesses differ on each of the two similarly marked melts, please advise this office relative to the duplication in melt numbers.

Respectfully,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN;

Washington,

February 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Assay Commission completed examination coins your mint today

All found within legal requirements

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Min. Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

February 16, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Attention is invited to your January voucher #17, in favor of The Ellery Arms Co., for one box shells, buck shot, 12 gauge, $1.30. This appears to be ammunition and, if so, is not a proper charge against any mint service appropriation.

In this instance the voucher will be passed by this office but it is subject to disallowance by the General Accounting Office and, in that event, will be subject to refund. Ammunition is obtainable for mint service use only from the War Department, upon application made through this office.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 17, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Replying to your Assayer's letter of February 1, 1923, concerning the renewal of four sets of platinum parting apparatus, you are advised that the New York Assay Office will supply this apparatus at $75.00 per set or $300 for four complete sets to cover labor costs. They have experienced difficulty in spinning a dish of the size of the boiling pans but expect to make such deliveries in the immediate future.

Nichrome muffles and plates are now used at the New York Assay Office, the Philadelphia Mint and the Bureau Laboratory. They are supplies by the Driver-Harris Company, Harrison, New Jersey, the most recent quotation being $1.30 per lb. net with a scrap value of 20¢. Their present pattern charge is $20.00 for less than six muffles. On an order for six or more muffles the pattern charge is absorbed and the price per lb. is the same as quoted for one.

The term of usefullness of these muffles varies from seven to ten months (Director's Report, 1919, page 14, New York Assay Office Improvements) and is influenced by the temperatures used and the care they receive. The safe working temperature is 2000° F and the melting point 2660°F.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

February 20, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Connolly temporary helper without bonus approved

O'Reilly,

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

2—5738

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

February 21, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company eighty six thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O'Reilly
Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night

February 21, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

District Secretary under date February fifth certified selection LaPlant and Coats as regular in absence of register Secretary approved temporary appointment upon this endorsement If the eligible list which is now established contains no candidates satisfactory to you suggest you take up with District Secretary desirability of retaining Laplant and Coats until they can take examination

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

February 21, 1923.

Superintendent United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Sculley temporary helper approved

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

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February 21, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the Philadelphia Mint, amount $51.00, covering cost of 6 weight hangers complete for automatic weighing machines furnished your office, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 21, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Company, amount $9.88, covering transportation charges on 30 dollar dies from Philadelphia, January 10, 1923 ($7.13) and 12 standard dollar collars from Philadelphia, January 11, 1923 ($2.75), has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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February 21, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your voucher, in amount $6,660.86, for reimbursement of your contingent appropriation on account of expenses in the manufacture of silver dollars during the month of January, is returned herewith for further consideration in connection with Bureau letter of January 20, 1923.

From the present status of your contingent appropriation it would seem that no reimbursement at all would be required for expenses in January, and possibly for some subsequent months.

Respectfully,

M. M. v. Reich

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night

February 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Referring your recommendation twentieth removal Connolly notice he took oath on nineteenth Advise Bureau if he was in pay status for any period

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

February 27, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company forty five thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

February 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California

Referring letter twenty third no formal request increased compensation for Ranlett appears to have been received Please forward same

O'Reilly

Acting Director

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR .....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.
2—4736

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February 28, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your telegram of February 27 stating that Joseph A. Connolly was not in pay status. The approval of Connolly's appointment by this Bureau dated February 20, was, of course, subject to confirmation by the Secretary's Office, and inasmuch as neither your formal recommendation nor the oath of office were forwarded to the Secretary for approval, and the further fact that Connolly did not report for work, it is thought best to remove his name from the rolls informally and without prejudice. All papers in this case are being filed in this office.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1923 has been approved in the following sums;

Salaries	$ 4,000.00
Wages of Workmen	22,000.00
Contingent Expenses	10,000.00
Increase of Compensation	2,690.33
T o t a l	$38,690.33

Respectfully,

M. McReelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE W T N:

Washington,

March 1, 1923.

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Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company forty six thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O'Reilly

Acting Director

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FICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
March 2, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized purchase with contingent check from American Smelting and Refining Company twenty two tons electrolytic copper at sixteen ninety being understood to be lowest bid

O' Reilly

Acting Director

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
March 5, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Monaghan temporary helper approved

O'Reilly

Acting Director

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,

March 6, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Waring temporary helper approved

O' Reilly

Acting Director

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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March 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

In order that the Bureau may be in position to defend its action with regard to charges against the silver dollar fund, fully detailed information is requested covering method used at the San Francisco Mint for determining excess over normal expenditures of the contingent appropriation, as stated in vouchers for reimbursement thereto from the silver dollar fund.

Contingent appropriation data (in round amounts) available to the Bureau follows:

Amount appropriated -		$50,000
Reimbursements to include December bills- - - - - - - - - -		25,000
" requested for January - - - - - - - - - - -		6,600
		81,600
Encumbrances to include January - - - - - - - -	48,600	
Estimated encumbrance for Jan. alloy copper -	3,600	52,200
Estimated net available amount for 5 months ($5,880 per mo.)		29,400
" " appropriation charge for 7 months ($2,940 per mo.)		20,600
		$50,000

The regular contingent appropriation of the San Francisco Mint, which must be considered the normal amount available, has been for 1922, 1923 and 1924, $50,000. When the silver dollar coinage has been completed this will be the full amount available (except for possible earnings on foreign coinage), and it will be necessary to so conduct the business of the institution as to keep within this amount.

It is estimated that, working on your present basis, your stock of silver dollar bullion in condition for coinage will be absorbed by about May first. It is not considered advisable that you begin working on gold during the short time which will intervene before settlement and it is therefore suggested that you so plan your coinage work, preferably by gradual reduction of employees and other expenses, as to

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keep busy on silver dollars to settlement time, with the purpose of having all silver available for coinage made into dollars at that time.

The Bureau anticipates that by July first next you will have adjusted your force of employees so as to keep within the amount appropriated for their pay, $60,000.

The present program for the San Francisco Mint during the year beginning July first next is to use only the regular appropriations and to coin dollars as fast as silver bullion is acquired or refined for that purpose; to fill in intervals of nonsupply of silver by manufacture of gold double eagles; and to continue on double eagles after the silver dollar coinage is completed. The Denver Mint is just cleaning up on dollar coinage and will make gold without any extra force. The Philadelphia Mint is keeping silver acquisitions coined into dollars and making double eagles when possible.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night

March 7, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Referring your telegram seventh relative temporaries please await letter mailed sixth relative coinage policy balance year which will allow gradual dropping of temporaries within three months Inadvisable to replace present temporaries by other men for so short a time Please advise District Secretary to this effect requesting that present temporary force be allowed to remain as required for next three months.

O'Reilly

Acting Director

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 3128.
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 9, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Replying telegram eighth probationary appointments approved subject to approval of nominations by District Secretary.

O'Reilly

Acting Director

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

E WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 10, 1923.

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan forty-three thousand ounces silver purchased today under terms Pittman Act.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

Cont. Mx. Mint Bureau 1923.

FFICIAL BUSINESS.
OVERNMENT RATES.
HARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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March 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the Philadelphia Mint against your office for 6 sheet steel roll cages for cutting press ratchets furnished, amount $193.87, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

It is understood that the items mentioned below cover the entire quantity of undelivered purchases of Pittman silver to the end of December, 1922. Please advise the Bureau if this is correct and, if not, give correct figures:

Bunker Hill Smelter

Bureau purchase of Dec. 28, 1922 - - - - 68,000 ounces
" " " Dec. 29, 1922 - - - - 72,000 "

American Smelting & Refining Co.

Bureau purch. of Nov. 16, 1922 - 1,000,000
Less delivery - - - - - - 200,731 799,269 "
Bureau purch. of Dec. 28, 1922 - - - - - -1,000,000 "

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly
Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 12, 1923.

Bohemian Club,

San Francisco, California.

Gentlemen:

I am taking the liberty of notifying you that the address of Hon. Raymond T. Baker, former Director of the Mint, is Wardman Park Hotel, Washington, D.C.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

F W TEN:

Washington,
March 13, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company thirty eight thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O'Reilly
Acting Director

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

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GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
March 13, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Replying letter sixth Brooks has contract for seals See General Schedule Supplies Fiscal Year twenty three page seventy nine

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
March 14, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Please wire under item number twelve ninety eight General Schedule what submumber or letter seals desired

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124.

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March 13, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of $5,000.00 from your 1923 Contingent appropriation has been approved.

Respectfully,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 14, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

With reference to your requisition of December 20th, for Bookkeeper's Departmental Metal Account Book, form 875, I am enclosing herewith rough draft headed "Bookkeeper's Metal Custody Account (1)" with request that it be given consideration for use in lieu of the forms forwarded with your letter. The purpose of the proposed form would be to simplify the bookkeeper's custody accounts to the point where they would provide the needed check on the total while avoiding unnecessary duplication, leaving such sub-classification of the metals in each department as was needed, for the records of the department concerned. This would seem to be the logical procedure but if this form will not meet the needs of your institution please advise fully giving reasons.

In case the above mentioned form will not meet your requirements please give consideration to the other tentative drafts of forms enclosed herewith, which give rather full sub-classifications.

With return of all enclosures at as early a date as practicable please let the Bureau have the benefit of such comments on the proposed forms as considered pertinent.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 14, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

The following bills of the American Railway Express Company have been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation;

For transportation, -

1 box coinage dies from Philadelphia, Feb. 5, 1923	$6.98
1 box coinage dies from Philadelphia, Jan. 27, 1923	5.15

Respectfully,

Mary McReelly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 14, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 7, 1923, together with 7.20 ounces of certificate bar samples representing fine gold mass melts Nos. 111, 116, 121.

Respectfully,

M. McReels

Q. Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Joseph C Rusher Watchman approved.

O'Reilly

Acting Director

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FFICIAL BUSINESS.
OVERNMENT RATES.
HARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
2—4799 The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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March 16, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, amount $4.11, covering transportation charges on 1 case of envelopes from Rockville, Conn., Dec. 4, 1922, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 16, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

There has been deposited by the New York Assay Office on C/D # 7, dated March 10, 1923, the sum of $2,046.15, being the proceeds of sale of palladium received from your office. You will please take same into your ordinary account current for the current quarter as both a collection and deposit in the Treasury, the same as other miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully,

Mary McCarthy

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 19, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Attention is invited to package just received in this office, registry number 123375, containing Pittman silver affidavits. On the face of the package are two considerable tabulations of figures evidently indicating contents of the package, and the penalty envelope which had been attached by the use of paste had become entirely loosened, being held in place only by the string around the package. The package should have been better covered in order that the tabulations would not appear on the outside, and the penalty envelope should have been so attached as to insure against its becoming loosened with the resulting possibility of loss of the package since no other marks were thereon which would indicate its proper destination.

Respectfully,

Mary McReely

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 19, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 9.60 ounces certificate bar samples representing Mint Fine Gold Melts Nos. 119, 124, 129 and 134, forwarded with your letter of March 13, 1923.

Respectfully,

Mary McReilly

Q. Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 21, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California

Authorized purchase from Coors Porcelain Company twenty four porous cells at five dollars forty cents each

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
9—5726
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
March 21, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized purchase from C. Solomon local agent twenty five thousand Brooks seals at eight dollars fifteen cents per thousand delivered to Mint

O'Reilly
Acting Director

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
9—5726
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 22, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill and Sullivan Company sixty three thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O'Reilly

Acting Director

IAL BUSINESS.
OVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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March 22, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Company, amount $5.29, covering transportation charges on assay balances shipped to Salt Lake City, January 18, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

s Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized purchase nichrome muffles and to exchange with New York Assay Office old sets platinum apparatus for new in accordance your letter sixteenth

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

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March 23, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Herewith please find American Smelting and Refining Company letter to you dated March 5, 1923, with the affidavits requested therein - Timber Butte Milling Company and Elm Orlu mine - for 1903 ounces of silver; same having been replaced with affidavits covering 451 ounces, the quantity for which the enclosures were listed as representing.

Respectfully,

Mary McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 23, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir.

Bill of the Southern Pacific Company, amount $1.00, covering transportation charges on rifles and revolvers from Army Point, Calif. January 25, 1923 and 1 box small arms ammunition from Army Point, January 30, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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March 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I am enclosing copy of order on W. H. Lowdermilk & Co. for "Standard Method Chemical Analysis" by Wilfred W. Scott, requested by you under date of March 19, 1923. The following bids were submitted:

Brentano's	$10.00	less 10%
W. H. Lowdermilk & Co. . .	10.00 "	10%
Wm. Ballantyne & Sons. . .	9.25 net.	

The bid of W. H. Lowdermilk was accepted for the reason that they were in position to make immediate delivery.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company sixty five thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

O'Reilly
Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.
9—6708

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March 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of March 21 enclosing a letter received from the Director of the Imperial Mint of Japan, you are advised that this Bureau has forwarded to the Director a copy of the Coinage Laws and a copy of the Regulations.

Incidentally Mr. Tago wrote a similar letter to every Mint and Assay Office in the country, as well as to the Bureau.

Respectfully,

Mary McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 27, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized accept bid Ceramics Company twelve stoneware cells

O'Reilly
Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Mn. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

NE RITTEN:

Washington,

March 27, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized accept bid American Smelters Securities Company for scraps

O'Reilly
Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS,
GOVERNMENT RATES,
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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March 29, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Company, amount $12.14, covering transportation charges on the following, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation:

20 dollar dies from Philadelphia, Feb. 20, 1923	$5.01
20 dollar dies from Philadelphia, Feb. 24, 1923	7.13
	$12.14

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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April 2, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1923 has been approved as follows;

Salaries	$ 3,800.00
Wages of Workmen	22,000.00
Contingent Expenses	10,000.00
Increase of Compensation	2,660.00
T o t a l	$38,460.00

Respectfully,

Henry M. O'Reilly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

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3—6736

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

April 3, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill and Sullivan Company sixty one thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

Scobey
Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS,
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
3—6736
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

3—6736

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

April 5, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company sixty five thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
3—6736
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

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2-8738

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

April 5, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Scozzafava temporary helper approved

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
2-4738
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

2-8738

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
April 5, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized accept bid Dixon Crucible Company graphite goods amounting to three hundred seven dollars for reasons stated

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
2-4738
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

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April 7, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, amount $3.05, covering transportation charges on 1 box printed shipping tags from Washington to San Francisco, December 13, 1922, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

April 9, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Roberts temporary helper approved

Scobey
Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

April 10, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized purchase concentrator from only bidder

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
April 10, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company seventy six thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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April 11, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

The Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia has today been instructed to forward to your Mint the working dies for the manufacture of the coins to be issued under authority of the Act of January 24, 1923, copy of which is enclosed. The coins are to be delivered to the Los Angeles Clearing House in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

I am today writing to F. B. Davison, Director General, advising them that the dies are being sent to you and that the coins will be delivered by you at the Mint to their agent upon payment by them of the face value of the coins.

In regard to the issue of special coins the experience of this Bureau has been that as a rule their sale by the parties interested has been extremely disappointing. In the case of two memorial coins recently issued several thousand coins have been returned to the mint as unsalable. We think there would be no impropriety in suggesting to the agents of the Los Angeles Clearing House the prudence of calling for these coins in rather small quantities at first in order that large amounts may not be coined at once and left on our hands uncalled for. As they are presumably to be sold at a premium, in case coins are returned to the Mint they could not, in justice, to those who have paid the premium, be placed in general circulation at face value. For this reason I would suggest that the Los Angeles Clearing House take the coins in small quantities at first, and that you coin them only as they are called for.

Respectfully,

F. E. Baber

Director of the Mint.

OR

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

April 12, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Rimer temporary helper approved

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

April 13, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Felder temporary helper approved

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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April 13, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

The Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia has referred to your order for 10,000 No. 1 coin bags, and has asked to be advised if it will be absolutely necessary that you have these bags during the current fiscal year. It is urged that you amend the order to the actual number of bags absolutely necessary to carry you through the balance of the fiscal year, it being understood that the month of June will be consumed almost entirely in settlement work.

If you will reply as promptly as possible to this letter this Bureau will appreciate it.

Respectfully,

F. E. Bedway

Director of the Mint.

OR

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

April 14, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized purchase with contingent check twelve tons copper from minor coinage metal fund for alloy

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
April 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Hiller temporary helper approved

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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April 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 6.00 ounces certificate bar samples representing fine gold mass melts Nos. 124, 129 and 134, with your letter of April 9, and 10.80 ounces of certificate bar samples representing Mint fine gold melts Nos. 139, 144, 149, 154 and 159, forwarded with your letter of April 10.

Respectfully,

Mary M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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April 19, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the Southern Pacific Company, amount $4.18, covering transportation charges on 1 box shotguns from Nixon, N. J., February 7, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Mary McKelly

s Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

April 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Company sixty four thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

Scobey

Director

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OVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR .....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

April 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco California.

Authorized accept bid Dixon Crucible Company for reason stated

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR .....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

E WRITTEN:

Washington,

April 25, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company forty three thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

Scobey

Director

FICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR _____
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

Cont. Mx. Mint Bureau, 1923.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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April 27, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of April 18 relative to coin bags you are advised that the contract for the manufacture of bags for the fiscal year 1923 was awarded to the Philadelphia Mint. It is not likely that the Mint will enter into contract to supply coin bags after July 1. I am therefore writing to suggest that your request on the Mint at Philadelphia for coin bags be revised to reduce the requisition from 10,000 bags to 2,000 bags.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.
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April 28, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Company, amount $7.47, covering transportation charges on the following from Philadelphia, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation;

12 standard dollar collars March 16, 1923	$2.61
20 dollar dies, March 20, 1923	4.86

Respectfully,

F. E. Leeby

Director of the Mint.

OR

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April 30, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Referring to my recent letter to you requesting that you spare certain of your men for Settlement work, please be advised that it has become necessary for us to postpone the opening of your Settlement until June 11.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

OR

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 1, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company sixty four thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 3, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company forty three thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

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May 2, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

In response to your request of April 28 Mr. Hastings will be assigned to duty for Settlement at Denver instead of Mr. McCourtney, this being done for the reason that Mr. Hastings was disappointed last year in not being assigned to settlement and that it was tentatively promised to him. An effort will be made to arrange his assignment this year. The Bureau will be glad to have the services of Mr. Hastings.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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May 3, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

With reference to your recent requisition for a supply of books and blanks, there is being forwarded, under separate cover, 2 books, form #858, Humid Assay Work Books, for your consideration, for use in lieu of loose-sheet form of same number. If these books will meet your needs and more are required for the ensuing six months please advise as to the number of books desired.

Form 405-A, for reporting monthly abstract sheet data to the bookkeeper, was abolished a long time ago. In view of the general revision of forms now under consideration this form will not be revived at this time.

Concerning form #679, Superintendent's Count of Daily Cash on Hand; since this form is of infrequent use and of very temporary value it is suggested that the data can well be noted on any blank sheet of paper available.

Form #559, Cashier's Daily Counter Statement, has been used only at the San Francisco Mint. It is thought that the data placed hereon can well be recorded directly on form #693, Cashier's Daily Settlement Book, instead of being placed first on form #559.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 4, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized purchase with contingent check twelve tons copper from minor coinage metal fund for alloy

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Contg. Dir. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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May 4, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1923 has been approved in the following sums;

Salaries	$ 4,000.00
Wages of Workmen	22,000.00
Contingent Expenses	10,000.00
Increase of Compensation	2,660.00
	$38,660.00

Respectfully,

F. E. Leach

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Director of the Mint.

OR

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 5, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Supplemental Regulations concerning the termination of purchases of silver under the Pittman Act, dated May 4, 1923, copies being forwarded, entirely supersede Bureau letter of April 2, 1923. First paragraph at top of page 2 of that letter stated that deliveries to the mints, upon accepted tenders, must be made on or before October 1, 1923; this date should have been October 1, 1924.

Request was made in last paragraph of above mentioned letter that monthly statement of quantities remaining undelivered on accepted Bureau purchases should be forwarded. Please forward such statement (on the basis of the accounts) as of March 31st and also forward a similar statement with monthly abstract of bullion purchases for the months of April and May; this is important and should not be overlooked as the information is needed in connection with determining the quantity of silver remaining purchasable.

For your confidential information will state it is anticipated that daily tenders will be received beginning June 1, 1923. Unless advised to the contrary, beginning that date you will telegraph the Bureau at the close of business each day the quantity of Pittman silver received that day, to the nearest thousand ounces, other than that to apply on Bureau purchases; or, in other words, that purchased by you at time of delivery (see paragraph 3 of supplemental regulations).

In connection with Bureau purchases of dore bullion the usual affidavits covering mine source, reduction, and delivery (mine to mint) will be obtained by you and filed with the accounts to support each individual lot or group of lots so far as practicable. Running accounts sufficient for preparation of monthly reports to the Bureau on forms 1055 and 1055-A, copies enclosed (a supply of which was forwarded you in May 1921) should be kept. It is requested also that date of Bureau's acceptance be noted on form 1055 opposite each delivery. Silver purchased by you at time of delivery (under paragraph 3 of regulations) should not be reported on these forms.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

E WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 6, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from American Smelting and Refining Company one million ounces Pittman silver purchased today

Scobey

Director

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1923.

AL BUSINESS.
VERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR .....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

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May 8, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

The following bills of the American Railway Express Co. have been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation:

For transportation of,-

10 dollar dies from Philadelphia, March 23, 1923	$2.75
1 box small arms ammunition from Benecia, Calif., March 30, 1923	.45

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 9, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Company sixty three thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

2—6786

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 10, 1923.

Hon. M. J. Kelly,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Transporation order for Superintendents meeting mailed you today.

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR [illegible]
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

2—6786

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May 9, 1923.

Hon. M. J. Kelly,
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Mr. Kelly:

I am enclosing Government request for transportation. Your formal letter of authority to travel will be held at the Bureau until your arrival.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

OR

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN:

NIGHT.

Washington,

May 10, 1923.

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

In connection with reclassification please bring with you organization chart your employees showing principal divisions subdivisions and sections and lines of supervisory responsibility and authority sufficiently detailed to give graphic picture of place of each kind of position in your organization and extent of supervisory responsibility and authority it involves and for final subdivisions should indicate kind of employees and number of each kind. The organization arrangement should show actual present form not ideal form. Titles of various subdivisions should correspond with organization titles to be used in preparing questionnaire so that section in which employee works may be readily located on chart. Bureau today in receipt of letter from Reclassification Board calling for this information. Not sufficient time to mail you letter before you leave for East.

Scobey Director

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

AL BUSINESS.
VERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212a.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

NUMBER WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 12, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Sullivan Company forty five thousand ounces Pittman silver purchased today

Seobey

Director

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR .....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 3125

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 12, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Refer Bureau letter May fifth and wire undelivered Pittman silver on accepted tenders as of March thirty first

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS,
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
2-5738 The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE RITTEN:

Washington,

May 14, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Guerrero elevator conductor approved

Scobey

Director

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
9-5738
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 15, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Probational appointments recommended your telegram fourteenth approved

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2129

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 15, 1923.

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Superintendents Philadelphia New York bringing assistants with them to meeting on twenty-first. If not incompatible with your plans and your appropriation will permit would like to suggest that you bring Hawkins. Other matters besides classification to be discussed.

Scobey
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1923.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR .....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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May 15, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 5.40 ounces of certificate bar samples, representing fine gold mass melts Nos. 139, 144 and 149, forwarded with your letter of May 8, 1923.

Respectfully,

F E Baby

Q. Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 16, 1923.

Two messages

Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, California.
Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colorado.

Silver remaining purchasable under Pittman Act approximately ten million ounces Stop At end of May wire total May purchases defined in paragraph three supplemental regulations and thereafter wire such purchases daily as per Bureau letter May fifth

Seobey

Director

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Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR _____
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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May 15, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of May 11 you are authorized to purchase a Monroe automatic model calculating machine, size 10-10-20, at a cost of $600. It is understood that this machine is to take the place of Millionaire machines while the same are undergoing repairs, and that the Millionaire machines are wearing out. It is further understood that you have sufficient funds in your contingent appropriation for 1923 to make this purchase.

The cut of the machine enclosed with your letter is returned herewith.

Respectfully,

F. E. Baxley

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 17, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Belmont Production Works Tonopah Nevada six thousand seven hundred and thirty two ounces Fineness silver purchased today

Seeley

Director

AL BUSINESS.
ERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Smelter Company twenty two thousand seven seventy one ounces silver purchased today for delivery your mint subject to regulations under Pittman Act

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Smelter seventeen thousand three hundred eighty nine ounces fine silver purchased today subject to regulations under Pittman Act

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123

RG104 E-235 Vol 451

May 18, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The large vendors of silver under the Pittman Act have been requested to in future keep deliveries of miner's affidavits current in quantity with deliveries of silver. It is requested that you cooperate with the Bureau in this matter. It is presumed that there will be no difficulty on this score but, if necessary, after reasonable time for compliance with request for affidavits has been given, you are authorized to with-hold payments on current deliveries until miner's affidavits have been received in quantity supporting prior deliveries.

Deliveries from the smaller vendors should as heretofore be always accompanied by the supporting affidavits.

Respectfully,

F E Scott

Director of the Mint.

P.S. The calendar day, for receipt of bullion deposits under the terms of the Pittman Act and regulations, will be considered the regular Treasury business day ending at 4:30 p.m.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 19, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Tonopah Mining Company one hundred forty three thousand one hundred twenty five ounces silver purchased today for delivery your Mint subject to regulations under Pittman Act

Scobey

Director

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Mx. Mint Bureau 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 19, 1923.

Superintendent, United StatesMint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Tonopah Mining Company four thousand four hundred fifty ounces silver purchased today subject regulations under Pittman Act

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 22, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Tonopah Mining Company of Nevada seventeen thousand one hundred ounces silver purchased today subject regulations under Pittman Act

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 19, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Wire Bureau at once miners affidavits in ounces you have on hand supporting American Smelting and Refining Company silver deliveries prior to May first also quantity thereof due

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WR TEN:

Washington,
May 21, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Smelter two hundred thirty eight thousand nine hundred ninety four ounces silver purchased today subject regulations under Pittman Act

Seobey

Director

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Candelaria Mines Company thirty one thousand two hundred eighty six ounces silver purchased today subject regulations under Pittman Act

Scobey
Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
2—5738
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from West End Consolidated Mining Company one hundred thirty six thousand nine hundred eighteen ounces silver purchased today subject regulations under Pittman Act

Scobey
Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
2—5738
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 25, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Tonopah Belmont Development Company two hundred thirty nine thousand and ninety three ounces silver purchased today subject regulations under Pittman act

Seobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.

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May 23, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 8.80 ounces of certificate bar samples representing Mint fine gold melts Nos. 164, 172, 177 and 182, forwarded with your letter of May 11, 1923.

Respectfully,

C. Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Rochester Silver Corporation twenty three thousand two hundred forty five ounces silver purchased today subject regulations under Pittman Act

Seobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Tonopah Mining Company requests umpire assays upon their bullion lot number five shipped by them March twenty second your Mint bar numbers seventy four ought nine to seventy four thirty two inclusive Please forward your samples and assayers results to this office

Seobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept following tenders silver purchased today subject regulations under Pittman Act From West End Consolidated Company four thousand three hundred fifty nine ounces From Tonopah Mining Company nine thousand four hundred fifty ounces From Tonopah Belmont Development Company thirteen thousand five hundred fifty ounces

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Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS,
GOVERNMENT RATES,
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Contg. Exp. Mint Bureau 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.

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ERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 24, 1925.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Bunker Hill Smelter sixteen thousand seven hundred four ounces silver purchased subject regulations under Pittman Act

Scobey

Director

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FFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Mx. Mint Bureau, 1925.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Pintic Stehdard Mining Company one hundred eighty seven thousand three hundred eighty two ounces silver purchased today subject regulations under Pittman Act

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR _____ 19__
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Accept from Rochester Silver Corporation two thousand three hundred fifty ounces silver purchased subject regulations Pittman Act

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Director

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GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Contg. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2112.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

E WRITTEN:

Washington,

Mint

May 24, 1923.

Two Separate Messages.

Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, California.
Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colorado.

Please refer to Bureau letter May fifth and wire total your purchases Pittman silver during May to date or that purchased under paragraph three supplemental regulations Exclude that which applies on Bureau purchases Also wire daily future similar purchases

Scobey

Director of the Mint

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Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

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CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.

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May 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I am enclosing a copy of my telegram sent you today relative to umpire assays requested by the Tonopah Mining Company of Tonopah, Nevada, together with a copy of their letter concerning the same.

Please furnish the weight of this shipment, before and after melting, together with your Assayer's results and state whether your calculations were based upon the granulation samples.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 25, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from following firms silver purchased today subject regulations under Pittman Act

Tintic Standard Mining Company seventy three thousand three hundred ninety three ounces
Rochester Silver Corporation two thousand two hundred sixty three ounces

Scobey
Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 25, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from following firms tenders of silver as indicated in ounces purchased today subject regulations under Pittman Act

Candelaria Mines Company twenty two hundred fifty two
Tintic Standard Mining Company nine thousand eight hundred thirty seven
Bunker Hill Smelter nineteen thousand four hundred two
Tonopah Belmont Development Company eleven thousand two hundred sixty eight
West End Consolidated Mining Company four thousand one hundred three

Scobey
Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR ~~Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.~~
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 25, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Consolidated Cortez Silver Mines Company fifteen thousand six hundred thirty seven ounces silver purchased today subject regulations under Pittman Act

Scobey

Director

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from following firms amounts of silver indicated in ounces purchased today subject regulations under Pittman Act

Tonopah Belmont Development Company eleven thousand sixty four
West End Consolidated Mining Company five thousand and ninety six
Tonopah Mining Company of Nevada thirteen thousand three hundred fifteen
Banker Hill Smelter nineteen thousand eight hundred fifty four
Consolidated Cortez Silver Mines Company six thousand seven hundred eighty two
Atlantic Standard Mining Company five thousand eight hundred twenty eight
Candelaria Mines Company four thousand two hundred thirty two

Scobey
Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212A.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept following amounts of silver purchased today from firms named subject regulations under Pittman Act

American Smelting and Refining Company one hundred forty one thousand ounces
Tonopah Extension Mining Company one hundred forty three thousand one hundred seventy six
Copper Chief Mining Company three hundred sixty six ounces

Scobey
Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212A.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Rochester Silver Corporation two thousand one hundred ten ounces silver and from Frank Hargrave Receiver for Nevada Packard Mines Company thirteen thousand seven hundred ninety nine ounces purchased today under terms Pittman Act

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept following amounts silver from firms named purchased today under Terms Pittman Act From Tonopah Extension Mining Company four thousand two hundred twenty nine ounces From Tintic Standard Mining Company Salt Lake City five thousand six hundred fifty one ounces

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
May 26, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from Frank Margrave Received for Nevada Packard Mines Company nine hundred forty eight ounces silver purchased under terms Pittman Act subject regulations

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated as shown thus.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 812.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 28, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Bureau acceptance May twenty six of silver from Frank Margrave Receiver Nevarda Packard Mines included forty eight hundred eighty one ounces shipped you by him May twenty second

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.
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May 28, 1923

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sirs,

Your account current for the quarter ended March 31, 1923 is herewith returned for the signature of the Superintendent.

Pittman silver deposit #435, Rochester Silver Corporation, 26,231.51 ounces, is supported by affidavit of the same corporation as owner, smelter and refiner covering 26,300 ounces; also by 2 separate miner's affidavits covering 298 and 260 Ounces. Apparently statement in Rochester Silver Corporation affidavit that they were miners of the entire lot is in error; amended affidavit correctly stating the quantity mined by them, as well as the quantity reduced and owned, should be obtained and forwarded.

Pittman silver deposits #536 and 558, Tonopah Mining Co.; it does not appear that the Tonopah Mining Co. were the miners of the entire 45,000 and 41,400 ounces, respectively, as claimed in their affidavits. This is evidenced by the fact that supporting miners affidavits are attached for 11,492.50 and 16,693.20 ounces, respectively. Amended affidavits should be obtained from the Tonopah Mining Co. showing that they were miners of only their portion but smelters and owners of the entire lot.

January ordinary account vouchers are herewith returned for signature of approval and amount for which approved.

Payroll Dec. 16-31, 1922 is not signed by H. J. R. Meroux, Foreman, Press Room. If the amount shown by the roll, $100.52, has been paid, please forward an individual receipt for filing with the roll.

Payroll Mar. 1-15, 1923, W. Brant, Temp. Helper @ $5.25 per day, carries indication of resignation on, and employee is paid to include, March 13th; report of changes for March indicates date of resignation as March 6th. Please advise which is correct.

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February voucher #8, favor of Braun, Knecht, Heiman Co.; please advise why advantage was not taken of 1% discount offered for payment in 10 days.

Please forward assay report covering D.M.R.C. for quarter ended March 31, 1923.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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TERMS WRITTEN:

Night

Washington,
May 28, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from following firms amounts of silver indicated purchased today under terms Pittman Act Figures indicate ounces

United Comstock Mines seventy four thousand five hundred forty four
Copper Chief Mining Company seven hundred eight
Consolidated Cortez Mines Company twelve thousand six hundred forty five
Tonopah Extension Mining Company nine thousand three hundred sixteen
Rochester Silver Corporation four thousand four hundred seven
Tintic Standard Mining Company nine thousand seven hundred ninety four
Bunker Hill Smelter twenty thousand five hundred ninety six
West End Consolidated Mining Company eleven thousand eight hundred one
Candelaria Mines Company one thousand nine hundred seventy one
Tonopah Belmont Development Company ten thousand six hundred thirty six
Tonopah Mining Company of Nevada fourteen thousand seven hundred fifty
American Smelting and Refining Company one hundred seventy nine thousand
Frank Margrave Receiver for Nevada Packard Mines seven thousand two hundred ninety five
Tonopah Belmont Development Company nine thousand two hundred twenty one
O'Connell Mining Company two thousand
Donald C. Cameron two thousand one hundred ninety six
Barnes King Development Company three hundred sixty three
Arizona Silver Mines Company thirty thousand five hundred
E. M. Fuqua fifteen thousand and sixty one
Henry P. Kervin sixteen thousand four hundred thirty
Elkoro Mines Company three thousand three hundred seventy three

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Director

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2158 A.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

WHERE WRITTEN:

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Washington,

May 29, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from following firms amounts of silver indicated purchased today under terms Pittman Act delivery your Mint

Homestake Mining Company two thousand seven hundred seventy nine
Cancelaria Mines Company five thousand and twenty four
Tonopah Mining Company of Nevada eight thousand one hundred twenty five
Consolidated Cortez Silver Mines Company seven thousand two hundred ninety six
West End Consolidated Mining Company ten thousand six hundred fifty six
Copper Chief Mining Company three hundred sixteen
Bunker Hill Smelter nineteen thousand two hundred sixty
Tonopah Belmont Development Company twelve thousand four hundred seventy five
Arizona Silver Mines Company one thousand
E. M. Fuqua five hundred ninety eight
Mikoro Mines Company one hundred twenty five
Tintic Milling Company three hundred fifty three thousand six hundred ninety seven
St. Louis Smelting and Refining Works eighteen thousand
American Smelting and Refining Company one hundred sixty nine thousand

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Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 3158 A.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

Night

Washington

May 29, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from following firms amounts of silver indicated purchased today under terms Pittman Act delivery your Mint:

Frank Margrave Receiver Nevada Packard fifteen hundred twenty three
Conopah Extension Mining Company fifty one hundred thirty four
Donald C. Cameron four hundred ten
Tintic Standard Mining Company eleven thousand and fifty
Tintic Milling Company two thousand four hundred ninety
Mogollon Mines Company fifteen hundred ninety six
Homestake Mining Company two forty nine
Rochester Silver Corporation nineteen hundred thirty three
United Comstock Mines Company thirty six hundred

Scobey

Director

Appropriation - Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

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Two separate messages

Washington,

May 30, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colorado
Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, California.

After May twenty nine nineteen twenty three pay for all silver received except on Bureau purchases at rate being paid for non Pittman Act silver Stop Tenders to you of dore silver for local purchases at Pittman Act price to be recorded in order of receipt to close of business June fifteenth and each days total to be wired to this office Stop Such tenders to be later accepted by this Bureau and reliquidated by you at Pittman Act price in order of their receipt up to such quantity of silver as remains purchasable under the Act Quantity remaining purchasable close of business twenty nineth about one million three hundred fifty thousand ounces

Scobey

Director

Appropriation - Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRIT N:

Washington,

May 31, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Guerrero elevator conductor approved

Scobey

Director

FFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
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DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.
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June 1, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 7.090 ounces of dore bullion representing Pittman Act Purchases No. 7409 - 7432 inclusive (Tonopah Mining Company's Bullion Shipment No. 5), together with your letter of May 25, 1923, and copies of the original transcripts of your assays upon this shipment.

Respectfully,

F. E. Leavy

Q. Director of the Mint.

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June 2, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

The following amounts have been deposited to the credit of appropriations indicated, by C/D #822, dated May 26, 1923, being reimbursement on account of standard silver dollars coined under the terms of the Pittman Act, during April, 1923:

Wages of Workmen	$ 6,788.35
Contingent Expenses	6,164.65
	$12,953.00

These amounts should not enter into your account current, as the deposit was made without personal credit.

Respectfully,

F. E. Kobey

Director of the Mint.

OR

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June 4, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1923 has been approved in the following sums;

Salaries	$ 3,812.50
Wages of Workmen	11,390.00
Contingent Expenses	15,000.00
Increase of Compensation	2,660.00
	$32,852.50

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN:

Washington,

June 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to accept from American Smelting and Refining Company ten tons electrolitic copper for alloy at fifteen and one quarter cents per pound

O'Reilly

Acting Director

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FICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Contg. Exp., Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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June 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

In accordance with directions of the Treasury Budget Officer, based on the apportionment Act of February 27, 1906, this office has apportioned the appropriations of your institution for the fiscal year 1924, by quarters, as follows:

	Salaries	Wages of Workmen	Contingent
Amount appropriated:	$48,400.00	$175,000.00	$50,000.00
Less-Deduction for retirement	987.50	4,375.00	
Amt.transfd.to Divn.Statry.			300.00
Amount available	$47,412.50	$170,625.00	$49,700.00
1st Quarter	11,854.00	45,000.00	15,000.00
2d "	11,853.00	45,000.00	13,000.00
3d "	11,853.00	40,625.00	10,000.00
4th "	11,852.50	40,000.00	11,700.00

In some cases the apportionments for the earlier quarters were made larger in order to permit the making of large or special purchases if considered wise, or for meeting special conditions as regards personal services. If such amounts should not be obligated during the quarters for which apportioned it is understood that they will be available for subsequent use. The amounts apportioned are net; that is, if reimbursements are received for supplies furnished or for work performed the amounts received may be considered as added to the apportionments of the quarters in which amounts are received.

It is directed that no obligation be incurred against any appropriation during any quarter which would encroach upon apportionments of subsequent quarters or overobligate the appropriation total, without previous authority, requested and obtained through this office. Should conditions develop which would warrant an amendment to the apportionment, please make recommendation to this office with full explanation of the reasons therefor, in order that the Bureau may be in position to take the matter up with the Budget Officer.

Beginning with July this office will be required to make reports, shortly after the close of each month, to the Budget Officer, stating the amount of encumbrances created during the previous month, also the amount of encumbrances liquidated during the month, for each appropriation. It will therefore be necessary that you forward at the earliest practicable date after the close of each month your schedule of encumbrances, and schedule of pay-rolls and

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vouchers paid. Please take steps to insure that the prompt sending of these reports is not overlooked.

The plans of the Budget office contemplate that the monthly reports will be so prepared that eventually each quarter's encumbrances will be separately balanced by the payments pertaining thereto. In order that this may be done with the least amount of work it is suggested that on Register of Vouchers, form 993, there be indicated opposite each paid voucher the quarter (say P4; 1; 2; 3; 4; see form below) in which the encumbrance was created, and that at the end of each month the items (payments, and adjustments) pertaining to each quarter be taken off on an adding machine and reported to the Bureau as a recapitulation, on a separate sheet accompanying the schedule of vouchers paid; e.g.:

Encumbrances Liquidated in _____ 192 .

Appropriations, and Periods in which encumbrances created	Payments	Adjustments Add	Adjustments Deduct
Contingent Expenses			
Prior year 4th Quarter			
1st Quarter			
2d "			
3d "			
4th "			
Totals			
Wages of Workmen			
Prior year 4th Quarter			
1st Quarter			
etc.			

Responsibility for this eventual balancing of each quarter's encumbrances will necessarily rest with you. Possibly supplemental debit and credit accounts, posted monthly, with each quarter's encumbrances may prove helpful.

Beginning July 1, 1923, you will set up encumbrances against your appropriations (except Salaries and Wages of Workmen) at the time obligations are created, for all liabilities payable from such appropriations, including estimated cost of articles ordered from one of our own mints or assay offices, as well as estimated cost of transportation of passengers, freight, or express. Encumbrances which are liquidated after action by the General Accounting Office will be liquidated in your records upon receipt of notice that settlement has been made by the General Accounting Office. Amounts so liquidated should be individually scheduled to accompany monthly report of encumbrances liquidated, the adjustments thereon to be combined with other reported adjustments but the amounts paid claimants to not be included with the amounts paid by you.

The general rule as to "who pays the freight" is that the recipient of the shipped articles (who usually is the beneficiary of the shipment) pays, and is

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herefore the one to set up encumbrance. The Philadelphia Mint pays for transortation of coin bags delivered under its annual contract.

When special shipments of bullion or coin, between mints and assay offices, re made by express, copies of the bills of lading should be promptly forwarded o the Bureau in order that encumbrances may be there set up against the appropriation chargeable.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

E WRITTEN:

Washington,

June 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Please accept from American Smelting and Refining Company six-hundred thousand ounces silver purchased on May sixteenth for delivery to the Mint at Philadelphia which acceptance has been amended at request of the American Smelting and Refining Company to permit delivery to your mint

O'Reilly

Acting Director

Contg. Exp., Mint Bureau, 1923.

AL BUSINESS.
VERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE. Washington,

June 6, 1923.

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Please refer to our telegrams May twenty-ninth and cancel Homestake purchases from list of items to be received by you as Bureau Pittman silver acceptances.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR .....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

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DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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June 7, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

There is enclosed herewith copy of circular letter covering allotments under the Increase of Compensation appropriation for the fiscal year 1924. The total amount alloted for the use of your office is indicated on page two of the letter. The amounts as apportioned for each of the 12 months of the fiscal year 1924 are also indicated, and requisitions for advances should be kept within the amounts stated.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

June 11, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized purchase copper recovered in refinery operations with metal fund check

O'Reilly

Acting Director

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.

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June 11, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Referring to 6th paragraph of your letter of June 5th, requesting that the items on Feb. voucher #6, favor of Braun, Knecht, Heiman Co., for which a discount of 1% for payment in 10 days was offered be indicated, you are advised that on proposal on items "Borax crystals, potassium cyanide, and ammonium chloride" the notation "Terms, borax, net cash 10 days, balance 30/1/10" appears, which is presumed to indicate terms on potassium cyanide and ammonium chloride as 30 days cash, 1% discount for payment in 10 days.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 11, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Referring to our telegram of May 29 please disregard that portion of it authorizing you to accept from the St. Louis Smelting and Refining Works 18,000 ounces of silver purchased under the terms of the Pittman Act. The St. Louis Smelting and Refining Works has been advised to make shipment of this tender to the Philadelphia Mint.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 13, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

There has been deposited by the New York Assay Office on C/D #23, dated June 5, 1923, the sum of $43,820.00, being the proceeds of sale of 400 ounces of platinum shipped from your office during August, 1922. You will please take same into your ordinary account current for the current quarter as both a collection and deposit in the Treasury, the same as other miscellaneous receipts.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

s Actg Director of the Mint.

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June 13, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

The following bills of the American Railway Express Company have been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation:

For transportation of,-	
20 dollar dies from Philadelphia, March 29, 1923	$4.86
2 assay balances from Salt Lake City, March 29, 1923	5.16
10 Monroe ½ dollar dies from Philadelphia, April 14, 1923	2.61
20 dollar dies from Philadelphia, April 21, 1923	4.86
30 dollar dies from Philadelphia, April 28, 1923	6.98

also bill of the Southern Pacific Company for transportation of,-

1 box small arms ammunition, from Army Point, Cal., Feb. 16, 1923	.50

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 14, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Will you please proceed immediately to make arrangements to coin dimes upon resumption of operations at the close of your settlement. If it is at all practicable for you to prepare ingots at this time during settlement please do so. Make whatever plans you deem practicable to permit you to start on the coinage of dimes as soon as possible, even before the close of settlement if it can be arranged.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

OR

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June 14, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the Pullman Company has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation for accommodations as follows;

E. D. Hawkins, lower berth, Wash. to N. Y., 5/22/23	$ 3.75
E. D. Hawkins, lower berth, N. Y. to Phila., 5/23/23	3.00
E. D. Hawkins, seat, Phila. to Wash., 5/24/23	1.13
M. J. Kelly, lower berth, Wash. to N. Y., 5/22/23	3.75
M. J. Kelly, lower berth, N. Y. to Phila., 5/23/23	3.00
M. J. Kelly, seat, Phila. to Wash., 5/24/23	1.13
E. D. Hawkins, lower berth, Wash. to Chicago, 5/25/23	8.25
M. J. Kelly, lower berth, Wash. to Wheeling, W.Va., 5/25/23	3.75
M. J. Kelly, 1 lower-1 upper, S. F. to Ogden, 5/16/23	16.20
M. J. Kelly, do , Ogden to Denver, 5/17/23	13.50
M. J. Kelly, 2 lower berths, Denver to Chicago, 5/18/23	21.75
M. J. Kelly, do , Chicago to Wash., 5/20/23	16.50
	$95.72

Respectfully,

E. Estey

Director of the Mint.

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June 15, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation for transportation furnished as follows;

M. J. Kelly, Philadelphia to Washington, 5/24/23	$4.90
E. D. Hawkins, Philadelphia, to Washington, 5/24/23	4.90

Respectfully,

E. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

June 16, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized accept Bid American Smelting and Refining Company eighty three hundred thirty dollars covering sweeps

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

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June 16, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Co., amount $1.34, covering transportation charges on one dozen back plates from Philadelphia, May 4, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scott

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

E WRITTEN:

Washington,

June 18, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

If voucher against June dollars is mailed at once no necessity for anticipating same Reason for your request sixteenth not apparent

O'Reilly

Acting Director

AL BUSINESS.
VERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
June 19, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized purchase from Dunham Carrigan and Hayden one lawn mower at fifteen dollars

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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June 19, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a letter from the First Assistant Postmaster General requesting reimbursement for $6.30 expense incurred in the transfer of ten tanks from Wheeling, Ohio. If this statement is correct voucher should be prepared in favor of the First Assistant Postmaster General and payment made by check.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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June 19, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, covering the following transportation furnished, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation;

M. J. Kelly, New York to Philadelphia, May 23, 1923		$3.24
E. D. Hawkins, do	do , May 23, 1923	3.24

Respectfully,

M. M. Bell

s Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

WHERE WRITTEN:

Mint

Washington,

June 19, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Accept from following named firms amounts of silver indicated in ounces purchased under terms Pittman Act and subject regulations

Candelaria Mines Company eleven thousand seven hundred nine
Consolidated Virginia Mining Company three thousand one hundred fifty
Tonopah Belmont Development Company forty eight thousand seven hundred three
Mikoro Mines Company five hundred forty
Bunker Hill Smelters eighty eight thousand six hundred thirty five
Consolidated Cortez Silver Mines twenty six thousand seven hundred forty nine
Arizona Silver Mines Company fifteen hundred
E. M. Fuqua twenty nine hundred fifty three
Tonopah Mining Company twenty seven thousand two hundred sixty five
West End Consolidated Mining Company twenty three thousand three hundred forty eight
Mogollon Mines Company twenty nine hundred thirty three
Tonopah Extension Mining Company seventeen thousand nine hundred thirteen
Rochester Silver Corporation fifty nine hundred thirty five
Frank Margrave forty one hundred and eight
United Comstock Mines Company fifteen thousand seven hundred fifty
Tintic Standard Mining Company fifteen thousand seven hundred sixteen
Tintic Milling Company seven thousand six hundred ninety eight
Barnes King Development Company ninety five
O'Connell Mining Company eight hundred
American Smelting and Refining Company six hundred thirty one thousand
Donald C. Cameron thirteen hundred ninety

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M. M. O'Reilly
Acting Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 31—4305 The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122 A.

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June 19, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

The following amounts have been deposited to the credit of appropriations indicated, by C/D #1785, dated June 14, 1923, being reimbursement on account of standard silver dollars coined under the terms of the Pittman Act, during May, 1923:

Wages of Workmen	$7,109.20
Contingent Expenses	6,181.82
	$13,291.02

These amounts should not enter into your account current, as deposit was made without personal credit.

Respectfully,

Mary McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 20, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Co., amount $1.76, covering transportation charges on 6 obverse Monroe Doctrine dies from Philadelphia, May 7, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

June 21, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Satisfactory begin coinage dimes normal basis latter part July

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125

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June 23, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of $6,000 from your Wages of Workmen appropriation has been approved.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 25, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

On June 2 you were advised that this Bureau had purchased from the American Smelting and Refining Company 631,000 ounces of silver for delivery to your Mint. The American Smelting and Refining Company have requested that this shipment be diverted from your Mint, and the Company has been consequently notified that this 631,000 ounces originally accepted for delivery to your Mint will be received at Philadelphia and Denver instead.

Respectfully,

F. E. Baxley

Director of the Mint.

OR

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June 26, 1923

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 5.20 ounces of Certificate Bar Samples representing Mint Fine Gold Melts #187 and #192, forwarded with your letter of June 11, 1923.

Respectfully,

F E Leeby
Director of the Mint.
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN

Washington,

~~July~~ June 27, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Superintendent Philadelphia Mint reports automatic weighing machine you desire can be furnished for four thousand dollars Please wire if you wish this order put into effect

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 3122

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June 27, 1923

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 8.40 ounces of Certificate Bar Samples representing Fine Gold Mass Melts #154, #159, #164 and #169, forwarded with your letter of June 12, 1923.

Respectfully,

F. Estabrook

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Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

June 28, 1923.

F. H. Chaffin,
Chairman, Settlement Committee,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized stop in Denver for short time Think your services will soon be needed at Philadelphia

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2198

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June 28, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, covering the following transportation furnished, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation;

M. J. Kelly, Washington to New York, May 22, 1923		$8.14
E. D. Hawkins, do	do , May 22, 1923	8.14

Respectfully,

F. E. Feeley

Director of the Mint.

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June 28, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

In response to your request of June 26, the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia has this day been authorized to proceed with the manufacture of one ten beam automatic weighing machine for your Mint, at a cost of $4,000.00.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

OR

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June 30, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

The sum of $1,295.42 has been deposited to the credit of your 1923 Contingent appropriation by C/D #2411, dated June 26, 1923, being reimbursement on account of standard silver dollars coined under the terms of the Pittman Act, during June, 1923. This amount should not enter into your account current, it having been deposited without personal credit.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 5, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1924 has been approved in the following sums;

Salaries	$ 4,000.00
Wages of Workmen	15,000.00
Contingent Expenses	5,000.00
Increase of Compensation	2,660.00
	$26,660.00

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

s Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
July 6, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

How soon can you start coinage of dimes Please wire

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
July 7, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Demand for dimes in your vicinity urgent Will it be possible to arrange to begin delivery by July sixteenth

O'Reilly
Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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July 10, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railway Company, amount $13.48, covering transportation charges on 1 box stationery from Washington, May 18, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 11, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the Southern Pacific Company, amount $283.12, covering transportation furnished M. J. Kelly and one other to Washington and return, May 15, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Mary McKelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 11, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Co., amount $2.61, covering transportation on 10 Monroe Doctrine half dollar dies from Philadelphia, May 29, 1923, has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

Mary McReilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
July 12, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Treasurer would like to have you continue on dimes until you have coined five hundred thousand dollars and then coin nickels Will it be practicable to start on nickels before you have completed dimes and run both at once

O'Reilly

Acting Director

FFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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July 13, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

A bill of the Pullman Company has been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, chargeable to your 1923 Contingent appropriation in the sums indicated for Pullman accommodations furnished as follows;

E.D. Hawkins,	lower berth,	Chicago to S. F., May 23, 1923	$23.63
M. J. Kelly,	lower berth,	Wheeling to Chicago, June 10,1923	4.50
do ,	do ,	Chicago to S. F., June 11, 1923	23.63

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN

Washington,
July 13, 1923.

Night

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

When may we expect to receive reports requested last paragraph Bureau letter May fifth showing your receipts during May and June Pittman silver bullion on Bureau acceptances

O'Reilly

Acting Director

FICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

July 17, 1923.

Night

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Please forward bonds covering contracts with National Ice Metropolitan Laundry and Enterprise Foundry in sums sufficient in your estimation to protect Government Bonds will be attached to contracts when forwarded to Secretary for approval

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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July 19, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

This Bureau has today accepted for delivery to your Mint tenders of silver from the Copper Chief Mining Co., which were made on May 31, 1923, of 273 ounces, and on June 1 of 412 ounces, 2397 ounces and 372 ounces. Acceptance of these offers has been withheld pending receipt in this Bureau of satisfactory statements of accounts from the Copper Chief Mining Company.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 19, 1923.

Superintendent,
U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

It is noted from your reports just received that you are apparently carrying the May 26th silver acceptance from Nevada Packard Mines Company as 48 ounces instead of 948 per our telegram of that date; please amend your records if needed.

Respectfully,

M. W. McRoberts

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

In addition to the amount of silver accepted by this Bureau from the Copper Chief Mining Company accepted on July 19, 1923 for delivery to your Mint, please accept 281 ounces tendered by that company to this Bureau on May 31, the acceptance of this offer having been held in connection with other offers from this company until their accounts were satisfactorily rendered to this Bureau.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scott

Director of the Mint.

OR

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July 23, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Referring to your statement on form 1055a, which reached the Bureau today, please refer to item of the Belmont Reduction Works, 6732 ounces, and Donald C. Cameron, 3996 ounces. These items should be combined in the name of Donald C. Cameron. This will bring your record into conformity with the Bureau record in regard to this item.

Respectfully,

F. E. Scobey

Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,
July 24, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Appointment Reilly temporary elevator conductor approved

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
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DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,

July 28, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Referring telegram authorized excuse all who can be spared

O'Reilly
Acting Director

OR

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Contg. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2158

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July 30, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I am enclosing copy of correspondence carried on between this Bureau and the Motion Picture Exposition relative to the Monore coins. The correspondence is being sent for your information and guidance.

Respectfully,

M M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of your office during the fiscal year 1924 has been approved in the following sums:

Salaries	$4,000.00
Wages of Workmen	15,000.00
Contingent Expenses	5,000.00
Increase of Compensation	2,640.00
	$26,640.00

and for the fiscal year 1923 as follows;

Contingent Expenses	6,000.00

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

ERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

August 2, 1923.

Night

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Referring telegram May twenty eighth directing you accept tenders Pittman silver amount accepted from E. M. Fuqua should have read sixteen thousand and sixty one instead of fifteen thousand and sixty one ounces

O'Reilly

Acting Director

FFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR: Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

E WRITTEN

Washington,
August 3, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized purchase graphite goods from Dixon Crucible Company

O'Reilly

Acting Director

IAL BUSINESS.
OVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN:

Washington,

August 3, 1923.

United States Mint, San Francisco, California.
" " " Denver, Colorado.
" " Assay Office, Seattle, Washington
" " " " Helena, Montana
" " " " Boise, Idaho
" " " " Deadwood, S.D.
" " " " Salt Lake City, Utah
" " " " [illegible]
" " Mint, Carson, Nevada
" " " New Orleans, La.

Half staff flag until further instructions

O'Reilly Acting Director

FFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2129

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August 3, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find copy of three of the affidavits which accompanied deposit certificate #742 in favor of the American Smelting & Refining Co. as agent for the Tonopah Extension Mining Company, representing deposit of some 60,000 ounces silver delivered to you under the terms of the Pittman Act. Please note that the vendors affidavit appears to indicate that Mr. Braden was personally the agent of the Tonopah Extension Mining Company while the deposit certificate states that the American Smelting & Refining Co. is agent. The vendor's, miner's and reducer's affidavits also certify to delivery, treatment and payment for over 143,000 ounces as of May 26th, while the deposit certificate carries only about 60,000 ounces. The deposit certificate is also accompanied by second miner's affidavit for 50,541.05 ounces. Please have consistent vendor's and reducer's affidavits forwarded to cover this deposit; upon their receipt the erroneous affidavits held in this office will be cancelled.

Practically the same conditions as above are present in the case of deposit #743, the deposit certificate for which is made in the name of the American Smelting & Refining Co. as agent for the West End Consolidated Mining Co. Corrected affidavits should be forwarded to cover this deposit.

The affidavits accompanying deposit #744, made in the name of the American Smelting & Refining Co. as agent for United Comstock Mining Company appears to be correct with the exception that two miner's affidavits are present for the same lot of silver; one of which carries the statement that the silver was sold to the American Smelting & Refining Co.

The vendor's affidavit accompanying deposit #750 made in the name of the American Smelting & Refining Co. as agent for the Tonopah Belmont Development Company carries the statement that the entire quantity of 239,093 ounces silver was mined at the Tonopah Belmont Development Company's mine, while miner's affidavits accompanying the vendor's affidavit cover 112,716 ounces produced by other mines but treated at the Tonopah

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Belmont Development Company's works. Corrected vendor's affidavit should be forwarded, to be filed in lieu of this incorrect affidavit. Also please note that the silver deliveries by the American Smelting & Refining Co., for the Tonopah Belmont Development Company per deposit certificates numbers 719, 721, 746, 749 and 750 total 257,934.83 ounces, which are fully covered by miner's affidavits but are not fully covered by vendor's and reducer's affidavits. The difference appears to be the quantity covered by deposit certificate #749 for 18,842 ounces. The vendors affidavit accompanying deposit certificate #750 is accompanied by certificate of Frederick Bradshaw, General Manager of the Tonopah Belmont Development Company that F. S. Holbrook and E. B. Braden have been appointed agents to sign vendor's affidavits for sale of silver to the mint for account of the Tonopah Belmont Denvelopment Company; this seems to indicate that these men were personally appointed agents for the Tonopah Belmont Development Company while the deposit certificates are prepared in the name of the American Smelting & Refining Co. as agent. While Mr. Braden represents the American Smelting & Refining Co. at their Selby plant care should be taken to keep these records consistent.

Respectfully,

Th. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enc.

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August 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Please refer to tabulation accompanying your letter of July 31, 1923, on which is indicated receipt during July 1923, from the Candeleria Mining Company, certificate #14, of 21,736 ounces silver supported by miner's affidavits for the same quantity.

By reference to your report for the months of May and June it is noted that of the total Bureau acceptances from this concern, 56,474 ounces, there remained due from them to the end of June 11,184.86 ounces, while miner's affidavits for approximately 1,000 additional ounces were due.

Apparently July certificate #14 carries an excess delivery of approximately 10,000 ounces silver. Further information is desired concerning this.

Respectfully,

F. E. Burby

Director of the Mint.

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August 7, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I regret to be obliged to return contracts and bonds covering the Metropolitan Laundry Company and the Enterprise Foundry Company. I am enclosing for your information letter received by this office from the Assistant Solicitor. Will you please comply with the requirements contained in that letter and return the contracts with the bonds. This Bureau regrets that it is necessary to trouble you in this matter to such an extent.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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August 16, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of July 17 relative to brushes required by you, this Bureau invited bids from three Washington firms and received but one, quoting a price of $2.75 each for the brushes. The firm submitting this bid stated that they could not supply the brushes called for by your drawing, but that they could supply a brush which is used by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, of high grade camel hair set in hard rubber. Please advise the Bureau if you wish us to make purchase for you. Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,
August 20, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Please ease up on dimes and go on nickels Wire Bureau close business each day deliveries of coin

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OR

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2155
5-3736

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.

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August 21, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 12.00 ounces of certificate bar samples representing Fine Gold Mass Melts Nos. 174 - 13 - 10 - 15 - 20 - 25, forwarded from the San Francisco Mint with your letter of August 14th.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,

August 22, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Please wire close business each Saturday coinage for week Secretary desires this information Discontinue daily telegrams after this week

O'Reilly

Acting Director

FOR BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
Charge TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL S

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

August 29, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Demand for halves and quarters in your vicinity increasing Slow down on dimes increase output nickels and prepare to go on quarters and halves as soon as possible Wire program you suggest

Scobey

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
2-6738
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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August 29, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Requisition has been approved for advance to you the following, to meet the expenses of your Institution during the fiscal year 1924:

Salaries - - - - - - - - - - - -	$ 3,854.00
Wages of Workmen - - - - - - - -	15,000.00
Contingent Expenses- - - - - - -	5,000.00
Increase of Compensation - - -	2,640.00
Total - - -	$26,494.00

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 29, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of August 24, please forward to the Bureau a list of names of employees who have paid excess premiums on bonds, and the matter will be taken up with the Secretary's office, Section of Surety Bonds immediately.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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August 30, 1923.

Superintendent
U. S. Mint,
San Francisco,
Cal.

Sir:

The following items pertaining to your accounts for the quarter ended June 30, 1923 are brought to attention.

Will you kindly inform the Bureau as to the amounts which compose the total of $15,037.65 coin received on bullion fund checks per your bullion account current.

On pay roll for May 31, F. Dorman, Engineer at $5.25 per diem, is credited with 1 3/4 days overtime, $8.19; correct computation gives $9.19, indicating an apparent underpayment of $1.00.

April voucher #26 in favor of the Goodyear Rubber Company is for one pair of boots $3.25; the voucher is accompanied by a tender of boots at $2.82, no reason being given for failure to accept low bid.

June voucher #51 in favor of the Standard Oil Company carries an item of 51.1 gallons of roller oil at 52 1/2 cents per gallon, $27.35; correct computation gives $26.83, indicating an apparent overpayment of 52 cents, the equivalent of one gallon of oil.

June voucher #57 in favor of the Valvoline Oil Company carries indication of purchase under provisions A and C, with notation on back of voucher of the word "emergency". Deliveries are dated May 1 and May 22; the interim between the first and second delivery dates seems to indicate that there had been sufficient time for avoiding a second emergency purchase.

Deposit certificate #4622 in favor of John Kemble states payment for this deposit by two checks and $50.00 in cash. No receipt is present for the cash payment; please forward one.

Deposit certificate #5607 in favor of Marysville Dredging Company carries indication of a 4 cent cash payment; this payment is unsupported by receipt.

Separate Assay reports for each of several bars are filed in support of deposits #5779 and #5781. It is requested that in future where a deposit consists of several bars the larger form of Assay report be used, if necessary in order to get all bars on a single report form.

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Affidavit accompanying Pittman silver deposit #574 in favor of the Rochester Silver Corporation states that the vendor is the owner, smelter and miner of the entire quantity, while miners affidavits of Lou Wells are present for a part of this silver. Please obtain and forward an amended affidavit of the Rochester Silver Corporation properly covering this feature.

Affidavit accompanying Pittman silver deposit #580 in favor of George F, Kitt states that Kitt is the owner of the bullion, but does not state that he was also the miner and reducer. Please obtain and forward proper affidavit to support this deposit.

Affidavit accompanying Pittman silver deposit #585 in favor of the Tonapah Mining Company states that this company was owner, smelter, and miner of the entire quantity, while miners affidavit of another concern is present for part of the silver. Please obtain and file an amended affidavit of the Tonapah Mining Company.

Affidavits accompanying the following Pittman silver deposits are returned herewith for completion as to ounces, dates, and so forth:

#630 Crocker National Bank
#656 " "
#667 California Rand Silver Incor.
#671 Tonapah Banking Corporation
#690 Crocker National Bank.

In connection with Pittman silver deposit #630, please note that this deposit should not have been recorded in the name of the Crocker National Bank, but in the name of the vendor, Nelson L. Gillis, whose letter transmitting the deposit to you merely requested payment of proceeds to the bank. As previously advised deposits should always be recorded in the name of the person or firm having the right to give directions concerning them.

Respectfully,

F. Estabrook

Director of the Mint.

OR

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September 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following bills, payable from your 1923 contingent appropriation, have this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement:

Southern Pacific Company, 1 box nichrome castings, Harrison, N.J. to San Fran., May 15, 1923 . . . . . $11.72

Souther Pacific Company, 1 bbl. Furnace renewals, Carson City to San Fran., June 12, 1923. . . . . $ 2.11

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
September 5, 1923.

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dies for quarters and halves started from Philadelphia two days ago. How soon after receipt of same can you begin to deliver some of both denominations and not stop entirely on nickels. Wire reply.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1925.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR .....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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September 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

With reference to your annual report of operations during the fiscal year 1923 in the Coining Department, will you please inform me as to the weight of ingots operated upon and percentage of good coin produced therefrom, for silver dollars and subsidiary coin, separately. Reference is made, in this connection, to page 23 of the last annual report of the Director of the Mint.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 11, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of September 4 relative to the method of filling Circular No. 7 of the Personnel Classification Board, I would say that your understanding is correct as to the procedure. It does not seem to be in conflict with the purpose of the form.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 12, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Will you please forward to the Bureau as soon as practicable, a balanced statement of your Contingent Expense Appropriation transactions pertaining to the fiscal year 1923? The statement should include total incumbrances with the plus and minus adjustments, cash payments, and unliquidated balance of incumbrances, with a schedule of the items making up the total unliquidated balance.

If there are unliquidated incumbrances at the end of September which it is anticipated can be liquidated at an early date, your cash balance under the 1923 appropriation may be retained until settlement has been made of such items. Your June 30 balances under other appropriations should be repaid into the Treasury by the close of this month.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 13, 1933.

Superintendent,
U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 12.40 ounces of Certificate Bar Samples, representing Mint Fine Gold Melts Nos. 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30, forwarded with your letter of September 7,1933.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

the Mint:

Washington,

September 15, 1926.

SUPERINTENDENT,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Your recommendation 14" instant for purchase of Graphite goods approved.

Acting Director of the Mint.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR .....
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 3128

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September 18, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco,

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 7.20 ounces certificate bar samples, representing Fine Gold Mass Melts #30-35-40 and 46 forwarded with your letter of September 11, 1923.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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October 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following bills, payable from your 1923 contingent appropriation, have this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement:

American Railway Express Co., 1 carton porcelain dishes, Golden, Colo. to San Francisco, June 2, 1923 . . . . . $2.46

American Railway Express Co., 1 box, 10 obverse dime dies, Phila. to San Francisco, June 22, 1923. . . 1.63

American Railway Express Co., 1 box, 10 obverse dime dies, Phila. to San Francisco, June 28, 1923. . . 1.63
Total $5.72

Respectfully,

W M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 1, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
~~Philadelphia, Pa.~~
San Francisco, Cal.
Sir:

As requested in your letter of September 25th, I am returning herewith Pittman silver certificates numbers 59 and 60, in favor of the Tintic Standard Mining Co., paid September 6th, 1923. These certificates were forwarded the Bureau with those of August, while they actually pertain to those for the month of September.

Respectfully,

M. McRaelly

Enc.

Acting Director of the Mint.

F.

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October 3, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Requisition has been approved for advance to you the following, to meet the expenses of your institution during the fiscal year 1924:

Salaries	$ 4,000.
Wages of Workmen	15,000.
Contingent Expenses.	4,500.
Increased Compensation	2,640.
Total. . .	$26,140.

Respectfully,

F. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 6, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I am returning your Daily Statement for October 1 with the request that another copy be prepared and sent to the Bureau.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 8, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following bills of the American Railway Express Company have this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation:

1 box U.S.coinage dies,Phila.to San Francisco,July 18,1923.	$ 3.04
1 box U.S.coinage dies,Phila.to San Francisco,July 20,1923.	4.31
1 box containing nickel collars,dime collars and U.S.segment collars, Phila.to San Francisco,July 27,1923 .	5.61
1 box,10 obverse dime dies and 10 reverse dime dies,Phila.to San Francisco,August 1, 1923.	2.90
Total . . .	$15.26

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 17, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 9.20 ounces of certificate bar samples representing Mint fine gold melts 35, 40, 45 and 50, forwarded with your letter of October 9, 1923.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Q. Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 17, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bills of the American Hawaiian Steamship Co., amount $0.03, and The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, amount $0.50, covering transportation charges on 1 pkg. printed envelopes, Washington to San Francisco, July 28, 1923, have this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 23, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I am enclosing a letter received by the Division of Loans and Currency, office of the Secretary of the Treasury, which is self-explanatory. It is obvious, since the letter was addressed to you, that it was forwarded to the Treasury by mistake.

Respectfully,

M McReally

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 24, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of the American Hawaiian Steamship Co., amount $1.37, covering transportation charges on 1 carton envelopes, Richmond, Va. to San Francisco June 25, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1923 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 24, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Attention is invited to your daily reports of treasurer's silver on hand, as shown at foot of cashier's daily statement, which appear to be inconsistent. The quantity of Pittman silver bullion as of close of September does not check with the quantity carried on the assets and liabilities statement. Although no silver dollars are being coined, the quantity of Pittman bullion shown on the most recent cashier's daily statement in this office is less than that shown at the end of September.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 29, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Company, amount $4.16, covering express charges on 1 box, 5¢ nickel coinage dies, Philadelphia to San Francisco, August 24, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

W M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 29, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Company, amount $6.92, covering express charges on the following shipment, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation:

1 box, 10 obverse quarter dollar dies, #1-10 and 10 reverse quarter dollar dies #1-10, Phila. to San Francisco, 9-4-23.....	$3.04
1 box, 10 obv. half dollar dies #1-10 and 10 Rev. half dollar dies, #1-10, Phila. to San Francisco, 9-5-23.....	3.88
Total	$6.92

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 29, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Company, amount $8.17, covering express charges on 1 box, obverse and reverse half dollar dies and obverse and reverse quarter dollar dies, Philadelphia to San Francisco, September 7, 1923, also 1 box, 12 nickel collars for large ring, Philadelphia to San Francisco, September 7, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 30, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Treasurer in need five cent and one cent pieces from your mint Please arrange to confine coinage to minors How many one cent dies desired

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1923.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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October 31, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 12.40 ounces of certificate bar samples representing Fine Gold Mass Melts Nos. 51, 56, 61, 66, 71 and 76, forwarded with your letter of October 25, 1923.

Respectfully,

N M O'Reilly

Q. Acting Director of the Mint.

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October 31, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Requisition has been approved for advance to you the following, to meet the expenses of your institution during the fiscal year 1924:

Salaries - - - - - - - - - - - - -	$ 4,000.
Wages of Workmen - - - - - - - - -	15,000.
Contingent Expenses- - - - - - - -	4,500.
Increase of Compensation- - - - - -	2,640.
Total - - -	$26,140.

Respectfully,

W M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

~~Omaha~~ November 1, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized sell approximately fifty old carboys to highest bidder

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

~~October~~ November 5, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Authorized purchase graphite goods from Dixon Crucible Company lowest bidder

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR ~~Contg. Exp. Mint Bureau~~, 192~~3~~
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2136
2—5738

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November 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of June 6, 1923, paragraph 6 of which required that encumbrances against your appropriations (except Salaries and Wages of Workmen) be set up at the time obligations are created, for all liabilities payable from such appropriations, including estimated cost of articles ordered from one of our own mints or assay offices, as well as estimated cost of transportation of passengers, freight, or express. It is now requested that each month's total encumbrances against your Salaries, Wages of Workmen, Increased Compensation, and Contingent appropriations be separately reported on the regular encumbrance schedule.

Monthly recapitulation as called for in paragraph 5 of above mentioned letter has apparently not been received for July, August, and September; kindly forward same at an early date and take steps to insure forwarding of similar schedules as early as practicable after the close of each month.

With reference to paragraph 6 of Bureau letter dated June 6, please consider that encumbrances for expressage, freight, etc., have been liquidated, so far as these reports are concerned, upon receipt of notice from this office that the vouchers covering same have been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement; if disallowances are made in settlement, adjustments will be made thereafter.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

P.S. Contract of the Philadelphia Mint for the manufacture of coin bags during the fiscal year 1924 specifies that shipments are to be made f.o.b. Philadelphia; you will therefore set up encumbrances to cover transportation charges on any orders submitted for coin bags.

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November 12, 1925.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 11.20 ounces of certificate gold samples representing Mint Mine Gold Melts Nos. 57, 62, 67, 72 and 78, forwarded with your letter of November 6, 1925.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant

Director of the Mint.

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November 19, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I again feel obliged to return the Daily Statement received from your office today. Will you please have this statement made and forwarded to the Bureau so that the figures will be more legible, or take such steps as are necessary to have less blurring of the figures when press copying is done.

The Bureau does not mean to trouble you unnecessarily about this, but as we refer frequently to the Daily Statements of the larger institutions it is important for us to have legible figures to work with.

I will further call your attention to the transposition of figures in the lower right hand column under the head of "Treasurer's Silver Bullion."

Respectfully,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 19, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following bills of the American Railway Express Co. have this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation:

1 box - 10 obv. and 10 rev. nickel dies, Phila. to San Francisco, Sept. 21, 1923 - - - - - - - - - - - -	$3.04
1 box - 10 obv. half dollar dies, Phila. to San Francisco, Oct. 15, 1923 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	2.19
Total- - - - - -	$5.23

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

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November 21, 1925.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Can you use manila shipping tags mentioned your letter thirteenth and have they been delivered Wire reply

O'Reilly

Acting Director

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES.
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1926.
2—6758 The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125

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November 24, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of the Southern Pacific Company; amount $6.60, covering transportation charges on 6 boxes porcelain dishes, Denver, Colo. to San Francisco, Cal., September 11, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 24, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I am enclosing a letter received by the Secretary's Office today relative to Warren Taylor's bond. Mr. Taylor was bonded in the sum of $5,000 as a weigher at the United States Assay Office, New York, in April 1922, and his bond will run until April, 1924. Do you wish to have Mr. Taylor remain under bond as an employee of your mint? If so, it will not be necessary for him to get a new bond, as the existing bond will continue until its expiration in April, 1924 when the bond may be renewed. It is true he is carried on his bond as a weigher in the New York Assay Office. The fact that he has changed institutions does not affect his bond as long as he remains an employee of the Mint and Assay Service. If, however, you prefer to have the bond renewed at this time and have his designation changed to that of skilled workman to correspond to his title, this Bureau will be glad to be advised by you. Otherwise Mr. Taylor should be instructed to pay the premium now due on his bond.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 24, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

In connection with the examination of your accounts for the quarter ended September 30, 1923, the following has been noted:

Deposit Certificate #605, covering deposit by W. J. Ryder, $39.83, should be supported by return registered receipt for cash sent. Please forward same.

Melting loss on deposit by G. R. Linsley, as per assay report #446, exceeded 25%. Was this deposit of a character contemplated in the provision for additional melting charges?

Attention is called to order of indorsements on Receipt for Bullion accompanying deposit certificate #84 in favor of Bert Sederstream, whose endorsement is the last instead of first of three endorsements. Payment was made (in cash) to Mrs. J. D. Wilchar The endorsement of the actual payee should always be the last one.

Middleman's and miner's affidavits accompanying deposits #6, United Comstock Mines Co. 18,150.12 ounces; #11, West End Cons. Mining Co. 59,584.14 ounces; #15, Copper Chief Mining Co. 1,390 ounces; and #17, Tonopah Extension Mining Co. 83,227.15 ounces, show sale of silver to the American Smelting & Refining Co., which would indicate that ownership had passed to the American Smelting & Refining Co., while vendor's affidavits indicate sale to the Government by the American Smelting & Refining Co. acting as agent. Corrected affidavits should be forwarded.

Miner's affidavit accompanying deposit certificate #26, in favor of the Tintic Milling Company, is for 19,052.80 ounces while abstract shows receipt of 19,179.72 ounces, a difference of 126.92 ounces. Miner's affidavit covering shortage should be secured and forwarded to support payment for the difference.

No miner's or smelter's affidavits accompany deposit certificate #38, representing deposit of 1,185 ounces silver by H. F. Fervin. Kindly forward same.

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Deposit Certificate #41 is supported by Tintic Milling Co's. affidavit as owner, smelter and miner of the entire quantity of 13,848 ounces silver; the affidavit also states that the silver was mined by other concerns - the Dragon and Horn Silver mines. The above affidavit is accompanied by miner's affidavits of the Dragon and Horn Silver mines to a total of 13,402.80 ounces. Please forward corrected vendor's and reducer's affidavit showing separately the quantity, if any, mined by the Tintic Milling Co., with name of mine from which taken. If the milling company acted as vendor and reducer only, additional miner's affidavits should be supplied to cover the difference of 445.20 ounces.

Memorandum of bullion received accompanying deposit certificate #43 is endorsed "Mogollon Mines Co., by J. B. Cathcart, Agent; the purpose of this endorsement is not apparent. The deposit certificate is returned herewith for proper endorsement, in the name of the depositor, payment having been made in cash.

Please forward return registered receipts to support cash payments to William Reilly, deposit certificate #679, for $201.63 and to J. M. Yokum, deposit certificate #956 for $267.90.

Please forward return registered receipts to support cash payments to J. N. Elden, $67.28, deposit certificate #1168, and F. D. Genochio, $120.03, deposit certificate #1371.

In future will you please issue transfer of funds documents on the usual forms and carry them into your records and daily reports to the Treasurer United States, to support each transfer between your bullion fund and your recoinage fund, in the same manner as though the moneys were received from or issued to a Federal Reserve Bank. These documents should show, for example, that the Superintendent of the Mint - Recoinage Fund, transferred to the Superintendent of the Mint, - Bullion Fund $330,000 on account of silver coin recoined. These documents with their incidental entries on the daily transcripts will keep the Treasurer's office properly informed and enable them to identify the transfers when necessary.

Respectfully,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enc.

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November 26, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

This office is just in receipt of information that the 15,000 manila shipping tags mentioned in your letter of November 13th will be taken over by the Bureau of Supply and will not be shipped to you. By good fortune the tags were shipped to Washington by the manufacturer instead of direct to you.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Keell,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN

Washington,

November 27, 1923.

Hon. R. J. Grant, Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Please advise if Bates is to be Chairman in order that instructions may be addressed to him Also advise who Rippeto is to represent

O'Reilly

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 28, 1923.

Hon. R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Conditional receipt given Leech does not meet accounting requirements Have alternative proposal to submit to you When do you expect to be back in Denver

O'Reilly

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN

Washington,

November 30, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
~~[illegible]~~ San Francisco, California.

Have Bates wire Bureau whether he wants four dollars in lieu subsistence expenses or five dollars traveling and subsistence expenses Advise him letter sent Denver

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 30, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Troemner erroneously forwarded bid on weights directly to your mint instead of here Lower bids received by Bureau Withhold payment if not already made Await Bureau letter

O'Reilly
Acting Director

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2121

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November 30, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Requisition has been approved for advance to you the following, to meet the expenses of your institution during the fiscal year 1924:

Salaries - - - - - - - - - - - - -	$ 3,953.00
Wages of Workmen - - - - - - - - -	15,000.00
Contingent Expenses- - - - - - - -	4,000.00
Increase of Compensation - - - -	2,540.00
Total - - -	$25,493.00

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 30, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Upon receipt of your letter of October 22, requesting that gold weights and riders be ordered for your Mint, the Bureau sent proposals to Christian Becker, Voland & Sons, Wm. Ainsworth & Son, and Henry Troemmer. Bids were returned to this office by each of these firms, except Henry Troemmer. We wrote this latter firm under date of November 24 asking if it was their intention to bid upon the articles you required and we are today in receipt of a letter from them stating they quoted directly to your mint under date of October 31.

I am enclosing the three bids submitted to this office and it will be noted that the bid of Wm. Ainsworth & Son, Inc., is the lowest received. If payment has not already been made for the weights it will be necessary to accept the posposal of the lowest bidder. [redacted].

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

December 5, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

On December sixth transfer on your books to Philadelphia Mint one million two hundred thousand ounces subsidiary silver at sixty three cents value seven hundred fifty six thousand dollars and transfer from Philadelphia one million two hundred thousand ounces Pittman silver value one million two hundred thousand dollars This is book transfer only Ship no bullion letter being mailed

O'Reilly
Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2138

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December 5, 1923.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Confirming telegram of this date, you are authorized to transfer on your books on December 6 to Philadelphia Mint, 1,200,000 ounces subsidiary silver at 63¢ per ounce, total value $756,000; and also to transfer to your books from the mint at Philadelphia, 1,200,000 ounces of silver purchased under the terms of the Pittman Act of April 23, 1918, at $1 per ounce.

These are book transfers only; no bullion will be shipped; the contra entries for both transactions will be made on the books of the Philadelphia Mint; there will be no change in the combined totals (at the two mints) of subsidiary bullion nor of silver dollar bullion.

These transfers are made in order that silver bullion available for subsidiary coinage now on hand, but not at the particular location where needed, may be used, thus avoiding the purchase of additional bullion for delivery at the point where needed.

Please make reference on your records to this authority for making these transfers, and forward a copy of this letter with your quarterly account current.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 6, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of November 30 stating that you desire to have the amount of Mr. Taylor's bond reduced, please be advised that Mr. Taylor is bonded in the United States Mint and Assay Service and his bond executed in New York holds good and covers his position in your Mint. Will you please instruct Mr. Taylor, if he has not already done so, that it will be necessary for him to pay the premium now past due on his existing bond. This will carry him to April, 1924, when the Secretary of the Treasury will give this Bureau opportunity to pass on the sufficiency of that bond. At that time, in conformity with your recommendation, the Bureau will request that a new bond in the sum of $2,000 be prepared for Mr. Taylor's execution.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 6, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of four separate encumbrance schedules of your institution for the month of November, one for each appropriation. It is suggested that in future a single encumbrance sheet be used for all the appropriations, the amount encumbered against each appropriation to be separately noted.

Respectfully,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 11, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

In future will you please make monthly report, in letter form, concerning the results of deposit melting as required by Mint Service regulations (see page 6). This report is in lieu of form 936 and should be in approximately the following wording:

> The melting records for the month of - - - - - - have been examined by - - - -. The differences in weight before and after melting and the percentages of loss in melting are usual and fairly result from the nature of the deposit in each case.

Any exceptions to the above certificate to be specified and be fully explained in the letter.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,
December 11, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Please wire amount Pittman silver undelivered close business today

Grant

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2136

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December 13, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from minor coinage profits, bill of DeLancy & DeLancy, amounting to $1.55, covering insurance on shipments of minor coin during the month of October 1923.

Respectfully,

H. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

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December 14, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from the minor coinage profits, bill of the American Railway Express Co., amount $242.32, covering transportation charges on the following shipments:

$5,000 in nickels and $3,300 in 1¢ bronze coins, San Francisco to Los Angeles, Cal., October 22, 1923.

$5,000 in nickels and $3,300 in 1¢ bronze coins, San Francisco to Los Angeles, Cal., October 25, 1923.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

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December 17, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of the American Hawaiian Steamship Co., amount $0.82, covering transportation charges on 1 package envelopes, Baltimore, Md. to San Francisco, Cal., July 28, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation.

Letter of advice to you under date of October 17th covered bill as originally rendered by the Steamship Co., amount $0.03. Charges should have been $0.85 and bill as rendered above represents difference due.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

December 18, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Wire when reply may be expected to Bureau letter November twenty fourth concerning accounts September quarter

O'Reilly

Acting Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2129

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December 18, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following bills of the American Railway Express Company have this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation:

1 box, bullion scale weights, San Francisco to Washington, D.C., October 12, 1923 - - - - - - $25.65

1 box, 10 obverse and 10 reverse nickel dies, Phila. to San Fran., October 22, 1923- - - - - - 2.90

1 box, 15 obverse and 5 reverse one cent dies, Phila. to San Fran., November 1, 1923- - - - - - [illegible]

1 box, 10 obverse and 10 reverse nickel dies, Phila. to San Fran., November 2, 1923- - - - - - 3.04

1 box, six one cent medium collars, Phila. to San Francisco, November 5, 1923 - - - - - - - - - - 1.34

1 box, 15 obverse one cent dies and 10 reverse one cent dies, Phila. to San Fran., Nov. 6, 1923- - - 3.60

Total - - - $39.43

Respectfully,

A M Kelly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

December 19, 1923.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, California.

How soon could you deliver dimes if you started at once

Grant

Superintendent

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

December 20, 1923.

Superintendent, United States Mint,
San Francisco, California.

Please start coining dimes at once and be prepared for delivery twenty sixth

Grant

Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1924.
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

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December 26, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of the Isthmian Steamship Lines, amount $1.50, covering transportation charges on 1 crate paste, Washington, D. C. to San Francisco, Calif., June 29, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1923 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

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December 29, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

There is being forwarded herewith, for payment from the minor coinage profits, bill of the American Railway Express Co., amount $206.56, covering transportation charges on the following shipments:

$6,000 in 5¢ nickel coins and $1,000 in 1¢ bronze coins, San Francisco to Los Angeles, Cal., November 15, 1923.

$3,000 in 1¢ bronze coins, San Francisco to Los Angeles, Cal., November 19, 1923.

$2,500 in 1¢ bronze coins, San Francisco to Los Angeles, Cal., November 21, 1923.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Office of the
Director of the Mint.

Washington,

December 29, 1925.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

All vendors undelivered balances Pittman silver delinquent in their accounts to Bureau. Please withhold all payments thereon until further advised and inform inquirers of delinquency. Bureau is writing to vendors.

GRANT, Director.

FISCAL BUSINESS.
GOVERNMENT RATES
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR "Contingent Expenses, Office of Director of the Mint, 1924"
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125

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December 31, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of the American Railway Express Co., amount $2.90, covering express charges on 1 box, 10 obverse and 10 reverse one cent dies, nos. 201 to 210 and 186 to 195, respectively, Philadelphia to San Francisco, November 22, 1923, has this date been forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement, payable from your 1924 contingent appropriation.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

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December 31, 1923.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Affidavit of Henry P. Kervin, forwarded with your letter of December 24, 1923, to accompany deposit certificate #36, certifies that he is the owner and smelter of said 1,165 ounces of silver, the word "miner" having been interlined. Miner's affidavit covering this lot of silver should be obtained and forwarded to this office.

Respectfully,

E. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

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December 31, 1923.

Mr. J. C. Bates,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

My dear Mr. Bates:

I am returning herewith voucher submitted by you for reimbursement of traveling expenses incurred during your recent trip to Denver, together with supporting papers, with request that the following corrections be made.

In connection with matter of laundry charges, reference is made to section 11 of travel regulations. If such charges are to be prorated, each item should be divided by the number of days covered by the rendered service and the resulting uniform daily charge be made on voucher; the proration basis should be the entire number of days in the period; for example; the laundry period might begin on the day travel was begun and end with the day clothes were sent to the laundry, or might cover weekly or other periods. Attention is also called to dates for which room charges are made. Receipted bills indicate room charges began December 3rd and ended with the night of December 20th, while on voucher charge is made from December 4th to 21st inclusive; see section 12 of travel regulations.

Information concerning the date and hour of departing from and arriving at official station and the date and hour of arrival at and departure from place visited should be indicated, as required by section 23 of travel regulations.

Respectfully,

R. J. Grant,
Director of the Mint.

Enc.